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From Our Grand President.

Aug. 1, 1900.

To the Brotherhood:

For the first time in the history of the Brotherhood, the G. P., by sanction of the E. B., will devote his entire time to the organization.

The many strikes and lockouts occurring in various parts of the country have kept me on the move most of the time since March 1st. In July I was called to Buffalo and Pittsburg on strike business. No. 45, of Buffalo, is putting up a fight for your life; not a man who went out the last time (after the company broke its agreement) has gone back and they propose to fight it out on this line if it takes all summer. No. 21, of Philadelphia, and No. 27, of Baltimore, are game to the death, when it comes to putting up a fight for principle, and it makes one feel proud to belong to an organization composed of such men. Rochester, Trenton and Houston are jolting the various companies until we can almost hear their teeth chatter, while Greater New York is mauling the contractors into line slowly but surely. Chicago is also in the swim—No. 9 has about thirty men striking against the street car company. They also are not laying down at the behest of the money power. No. 5, of Pittsburg, is in luck; they were out three weeks and reached a settlement. Although they did not get all they went after, they did get some concessions—best that could be had at this time, and showed their good judgment by calling the strike off. No. 51, of the same city, has not yet bent the knee in supplication to their would be masters nor do they propose to. Never, within the history of organization, has the strike epidemic run

such a course; never were so many locals on a strike since the brotherhood was organized. Talk about holding men and locals it simply could not be done. When men see themselves being sacrificed upon the altar of mammon it's not easy holding them down if you wanted to. This being so, the question naturally arises why do men strike at all. That is not a hard question and I will undertake to answer it, but before answering this let me say that a strike, even if won, is a very crude and unsatisfactory way of obtaining or undertaking to obtain that which we are entitled to or that which we want. I think no one will question that, but under our present system it is the best and in fact about the only way we have of obtaining that which is ours by right of every law founded upon justice. Now then, men go upon a strike for the reason that they know they are being deprived of their portion of that which they produce. They understand and know that the non-producer, the man who produces nothing but who owns the business (by reason of withheld wages), is steadily robbing them of their share of the wealth produced by them. That men are not getting their share of their products is proven by the fact that while labor produces everything, labor owns nothing and has naught to show for its toil except the so-called wages. Now what are wages? Wages is that part of your product that circumstances do not allow your employer to rob you of. So all that labor receives from its products is that portion that he is enabled by circumstances to prevent his employer from robbing him of. This we do not believe is just or right, hence the strike. Another reason is that we believe we are working too many hours, while there are plenty of men who, by reason of our monopolizing the work day (ten hours),

are not able to obtain work at all. As I said we are working too many hours when we work ten hours a day. Eight hours is enough, six hours would be better. With an eight-hour day we could find time to find out what we want and by study improve our condition. An eight-hour day would take the man off the street and put him to work, and when he is at work he is not competing for my job and therefore I shall feel more secure in my position as a working man. This is another of the many reasons why men go out on a strike. Then, again, we are given to understand by our capitalistic friends that prosperity is abroad in the land. This, no doubt, is true. No one doubts but these are prosperous times for trusts, but somehow the poor devil who earns his bread in the sweat of his face does not quite understand why he should rejoice over the fact that while the rich man prospers he is continually getting the worst of it, and it's mighty hard making a starving man believe he is getting fat. This of itself would make any ordinary man strike his father. Again our friends tell us that we ought to be thankful that we have the opportunity to work at all and that the American workman is the best paid workman in the world. Well, suppose he is; he is not paid enough. Very few men of China get to be millionaires, yet that fact does not seem to have any perceptible influence upon American millionaires—they still ache to become billionaires, and as to our being thankful for being permitted to work, I say that is all a humbug and falls flat upon the ear of a man with the brains of a flea. Men do not employ you for your health or to keep your family out of the poorhouse; they employ you for what they can make out of you, for what you can produce for them and when your pro-

ducts do not exceed your so-called wages by about 90 per cent. you are laid off. No, sir, we are under obligations to no man for making him wealthy and besides we are only obeying the divine injunction "that by the sweat of our brow shall we eat bread." To disobey this injunction is a sin; it was the intention of Providence that all men should work, and he never intended that man should be denied the right to work and that by his fellow man. Therefore we are under obligation to no man for allowing us to exercise and obey a divine command. If any one is under obligation to any one it is the millionaire plutocrat to the workingman who has made him what he is. The idea that the workingman is under obligation to any man or set of men, company, corporation, trust or combine for the privilege of turning over to them about 90 per cent. of that which we produce is too absurd and ridiculous for sane people to argue upon, so let's cut it out; but one should not blame one for kicking when he is being made a jack-ass off. But with all our strikes and troubles, it cannot be said that we are making war upon individuals, as between man and man, but a system that puts the dollar ahead of the man soon toughens the heart of the man of dollars (who might otherwise be the friend of the workingman) until he has no soul, and yet to work for one of these magnates as individuals is a snap. To work for them as the head of a trust or combine is different. Human nature is pretty much the same the world over, and if we are not millionaires it's simply because we can't be, so it's not a war against man but against a system fostered and nurtured by man in the interest of his class, which system is not good for the working-class of this or any other country. So it's a war against a system whereby "man's inhumanity to man makes countless millions mourn." It's human nature to get as much as possible for as little as possible. When we go on a strike we are only following the example set by our friends, the magnates, when they are dissatisfied with prices. The combine raises prices, puts them up and keeps them up until people are compelled to buy at their figure, and if any little concern dares to sell at a lower figure the combine looks upon them as scabs, and sooner or later runs them out of business. Yet the small concern has as much right to do business as has the scab or non-union man to take our places when we want an increase of wages (so-called), yet who ever heard of a trust being called an anarchist. But, as I have said before, to obtain that which we desire or to obtain redress by strikes is crude and unsatisfactory. There is a better way. If you will let me be the doctor in the case, I will dole you out a simple remedy as a preventive which will produce a much larger quantity of cure.

Before I prescribe let me say a few words more regarding a strike. To successfully manage a strike three things should be taken into consideration before you can hope to bring a strike to a successful termination. First, you must be thoroughly organized; second, you must have a snug sum of money laid by, as you will probably need it before you are through with the strike; third, your cause or grievance must be a reasonably just one. Of course all workmen understand that almost any demand that is within the bonds of reason would be just, but the public don't understand any such thing and you have to use more or less diplomacy in order to show the public that you are right, for if you have not the sympathy of the people you are quite apt to be up against it. There are also other things to be taken into consideration, for instance a combine controlling a certain business in a number of cities in various parts of the country can often afford to stop business in one of these cities and devote all its energy to the other towns in which it does business, and often with profit to the concern. So, you will see that is an important point that should be well looked into before going out on a strike. Another thing you want to look well to is this, be sure the company or combine you are working for don't want you to strike. Ofttimes it is the object of the combine or company to get you to strike in order to disrupt you, break up your organization, etc. So, I think, you will agree with me that strikes are not the proper means to right wrongs. Although they are and have been for years the best means at our command. Now, as to the preventive to all these troubles, it is simple, easy and effective; peaceful, honest and sure. It is the ballot.

In a few weeks the political howler will be abroad in the land; he will come upon you with a whoop and a yell. You will see miles of rough riders with cowboy hats trying to convince you that the hat makes the man. They will also whoop up the 16 to 1 cry with bluff and thunder. Brass bands, paid for with Standard Oil and Silver Trust money will lead them. Senators and statesmen with pockets filled with gold from the coffers of the combines, corporation lawyers with bank accounts swelled by big fees from the coal, sugar, ice, lumber, wire, steel, copper, beef, coffin and whisky trusts will tell you how they love you; will tell you how his party has befriended you and cared for you in your hour of trouble; how they ache to stop the sweat from pouring out of your skin; how they are going to make life one continuous dream for you and your class in the future; they will talk to you of imperialism, but never a word will they say of the war being waged by the capitalist class of both the old parties, and a merciless war at that, on the people who are

producing the wealth that enables them—the non-producers—to spend their time in luxurious idleness while wage-earners must all but beg for the pittance that is declared to be their share of the wealth they create. Don't let them fool you, don't let them play horse with you or play you for a sucker any longer. No matter to which of the old parties they belong, or who they are, tell them that you are not an idle railway magnate who fixes exorbitant rates, clips coupons and chases all over the world for enjoyment. You are a mechanic, a laborer, a wealth producer. It is your brain and muscle and that of your class that has built mammoth cities, great railways, steamships, shops, factories and machinery of every description. Labor has produced all the wealth that is in present society; labor is not a parasite, is not a drone, but drones and parasites—more correctly, human vampires—prey upon the wageworking class and exact its brain and muscle, its strength and vitality. Labor (don't forget) built the railroads, it operates them, it uses them; this being so, ask your political ward healer why in the name of common sense and by what right does some foreign class step in and decree under what conditions these vast tools shall be used for society's benefit. If he answers that it is by right of capital invested, why tell his political highness that capital is merely the withheld wages of labor, the plunder extorted from those who toil for the right to live. Don't let them hypnotize you by this fiction or superstition that this capital or stolen wages is the sacred right, the property of shrewd unprincipled plutocrats and, worse still, that they may use it at will to further extort and rob you. Did you ever hear of such ridiculous reasoning before? What an unselfish, innocent lot of jays you working people really are, you are willing that a handful of railway magnates shall hold your nose to the grindstone and run you around like a lot of cattle—aye, you are worse than cattle, for a steer will kick. Your statesman friend may come back at you by accusing you of being an instigator of riots, arson, anarchy and murder; he will surely do this if you corner him in argument. But you can say to his political highness that while there are sins we expect to account for, none of these can be laid at the door of the workingman; tell him that while we are not perfect we are not fools, neither is our class responsible for the bloody dawn of the new century, a dawn that looks upon war and famine stalking hand in hand over an enlightened world where peace and plenty should prevail. A world plunged into war and crime by his class and sprinkled with the blood and tears of ours. Tell him that anarchists are made, not born, and where there is no oppressor there are no oppressed and where there are no oppressed

there are no anarchists, slaves or paupers. There were none who mourned the fate of Italy's murdered monarch as did the working people and could vengeance have been left to them it would have been swift indeed. There are other questions to ask this gifted political wiseacre and spellbinders from the parties of imperialism and free silver. Ask him what we may expect from a party whose managers formed the combine that cornered the ice and deprived the poor, the sick and famishing of the frozen water that God intended should be as free as the air we breathe and the sunlight? Who cornered the coal and formed the trust that raised the price until women and little children, the sick and destitute freeze and perish in sight of it? Ask him who reaps the harvest and waxes fat on the profits wrung from the people who buy their sugar, coffee, oil, beef, flour, cotton, lumber, coffins and other necessities of life and death from the blood-sucking combine while he who toils, the actual producer, grows poorer year by year? Ask him who sent the troops into Chicago to help the railroad break the strike of 84 where men were sent to jail for being men? Ask him who sent the regulars into the Coeur d'Alene district to shoot and imprison men for daring to organize to protect their class? Tell them we will overlook their gratuitous insults if they will cease their lying. Tell them we are a little weary of court injunctions, bayonets, disfranchising acts and countless other damnable outrages perpetrated upon us in the name of capital. Ask him to please remember Homestead, Buffalo, Cleveland, and tell him we would honor him more if he would go to work and then come to us with a clean record. Say to them that when they were men we respected them and even now we look back and in our imagination we can see them in childhood as they prattled and learned the golden rule from a mother's knee, so soon to be forgotten, little thinking they would live to foster and attempt to perpetuate a system of government upon their fellow men that would turn their hearts, in their greed for gold, as hard and cold as the ice and snow on the poor man's lowly grave. Tell him that while we live and have our strength we'll never be slaves to base-born tyrants, that the sun in its course shall not set upon a race of slaves, not if we know it. Say unto him that not so long as the red blood shall course in our veins and our brain have power to reason and our hearts are filled with love and pity will we ever consent to guide his gory hands to where our helpless children lay.

It is with pleasure I note the outings enjoyed by our boys and girls and some of us old people. The Lord knows we have few enough of them. In this respect we are

behind every nation on earth. To my mind we have too few of these summer outings. We should have a holiday for every month in the year and a frolic of some kind for every week. We no holiday. "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy." The more fun we can get out of this life the better we are off. I had the pleasure, in company with the old gent from the general office (the G. S.) of attending the outing of No. 56, at Erie, Pa., and I have no hesitation in saying that the memory of this event has engraved itself upon the tablet of my memory to remain long after the silver threads have outnumbered the gold (16 to 1). Of late it has been my habit to seek my hearthstone and gather around me my numerous family prior to prayers and the seeking of my virtuous couch and have ceased to strive for pleasure amid the madding throng, but upon this occasion I confess I was slow to leave the happy crowd but lingered on until that hour when stars pale in the eastern sky, till the silvery moonbeams speak good night and seem to seek their slumber 'neath the waters of the lake. In fact, so long did we linger that we were taken pity on by our friends and taken to their homes for safe keeping, or until we could be sent to our respective places of destination. Reluctant as we were to be led thus, I can say to you that if ever I am called to Erie again it will be with far greater reluctance that I stop anywhere else other than the charming home of good Brother and Sister Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Seaman. The affair was unusually well managed and reflects credit upon Bros. Hanlon, Grey, Mulhern, Seaman and others, whose names I do not now recall but who were equally active.

Nos. 38 and 39, of Cleveland, have also had their outing and enjoyed themselves as only people with a clear conscience can. Good crowds and good cheer were the order of the day. Brave men and beautiful women joined in the merry making, the dance, and race, and feats of strength until long after the orb of day had sank behind the wooded hills in glorious splendor, chased to rest by peals of joyous song and ripples of laughter echoes of a well-spent day. Long live the boys of Nos. 38 and 39 (also their girls.)

May their tribe increase;

May their days be many;

May they end in peace.

While in the city of Pittsburg I was invited by some of the linemen to visit the Hotel Hamilton, better known as the lineman's home. It was the first time I had ever visited the place and I was told while there a boycott was upon the house, but upon investigation I found that this boycott was more for spite and further that it was put there by two men who imagined they had a grievance or else for revenge for something no one knows what,

and mind you it was done without the consent or sanction of any local in Pittsburg, and a grave injustice has been done our worthy friends and hosts, Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton. Knowing this to be so, I take this opportunity to set them right before the traveling brothers who may chance to visit Pittsburg. The brothers in the Smoky City bear me out in this and they all agree that no better or more worthy people than our friends the Hamiltons ever catered to the wants of a lineman.

With best wishes for all, I remain, fraternally yours,

TOM WHEELER.

Use Union-Made Stationery.

Portsmouth, Va., July 30, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

I am not a P. S. and don't know anything about writing a piece for the press, but I am a union man from the heart and I do not see why we should be backward in letting people know it. If we are ashamed of our flag we had better haul it down. Now I think I have a scheme to let the U. S. know who we are and how well we are organized in this country. We all do more or less corresponding in different places and all have to buy envelopes and paper and I don't believe in buying non-union stuff if you can get union. We know we have official envelopes and paper that ought to be genuine stuff and it don't cost much more than the other does, so why not every brother of the I. B. E. W. use it and let people know we are still alive. I brought this up one meeting night in Local 84, but it was not given any attention. I thought if it was approved there then I could take further steps to try and get it through other locals. If this strikes you as a good suggestion, not out of order, and there is space in the Worker, I would like this inserted.

Yours fraternally,

B. F. HAINES.

From "Old Crip."

Denton, Tex., Aug. 5, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

With the thermometer registering ninety in the shade, have to write rather slow or take chances on getting a "hot box." However, I will send a word to let the members know that I am still able to kick. I am hopeful of regaining some use of myself later, if I can continue my treatment long enough. There seems to be a good deal of electrical work in Texas this season, as I hear no complaint from the members in this section. As I am suffering very much from the heat, I will close.

With best wishes, I am fraternally,

ROBERT G. WRIGHT.

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WE HAVE found it necessary to hold
 over several articles this issue, due to
 overcrowding.

ELECTRICAL workers are requested to
 keep away from Erie, Pa., and San Francisco,
 Cal., as there is trouble on in those
 cities.

LINEMEN FINED.

Thomas Fitzgerald and James Snyder,
 striking telephone linemen, were convicted
 of assault upon William Skinner and fined
 \$10 each in police court yesterday. Patrick
 Brennan, Daniel McGivern, John Tobin,
 Edward Mulvey and James Huff were
 also tried on the charge of creating a riot
 and assaulting Frederick A. Martin, a line-
 man who refused to strike. These men
 were discharged.

The assault upon Skinner occurred on
 July 3. Skinner was employed by the Bell
 Telephone Company, and on that day was
 passing down Fitzhugh street near the gov-
 ernment building, when he was attacked
 by the two strikers. He was severely hand-
 led and carried away a black eye. No
 charge was made at the time, but as the
 trouble between the strikers and the work-
 ing linemen continued, the matter was
 brought up recently, when Judge Suther-

land issued an order for the arrest of the
 defendants. The case against the two
 men seemed to show their guilt conclu-
 sively.

The charge of rioting against the others
 could not be shown to be entirely true.
 Charges of rioting against James Huff,
 Peter Roach and John McMahon were
 postponed until to-day.

The above was clipped from one of our
 daily papers, and well shows to what ex-
 tent the Bell Telephone Co. will stoop to
 gain a point. It must be remembered that
 the telephone company, in its goodness of
 heart, is so solicitous for the welfare of its
 employees that it pays lawyers' fees to
 convict the strikers. In the assault case
 not a scratch could be shown by any one
 of the scabs, but the telephone company's
 attorney said the feelings of the men had
 been hurt. Just think, dear reader, this
 lawyer actually thought these scabs (we
 use the term scabs because we can not call
 them men) have feelings. These poor,
 miserable mice, who can not command
 wages when there is no strike on, watch
 the golden opportunity to crawl in when
 men step out. Just stop long enough to
 think, you who boast of our American free-
 dom, to look at these poor miserable curs
 working under police protection. Think
 you they should be called men? While in
 attendance at this trial the former finan-
 cial secretary of Local 44 was called to the
 stand to testify, and in his eagerness to
 help the gigantic monopoly, did willfully
 commit perjury by swearing that one of
 the strikers struck him, when it can and
 will be proven the striker was not on the
 ground. Just think, members of the I. B.
 E. W., this poor, miserable, woe-begone
 rat, who had taken upon himself a solemn
 obligation to protect his brother and fellow-
 man, stood before the bar of justice and
 swore to a deliberate falsehood to convict
 an innocent man. He who had shouted
 unionism for years, he who had called oth-
 ers down because he thought they were
 not good union men, sold himself for the
 pieces of silver. When the time came for
 him to demonstrate to the world whether
 he was a man or a mouse, he proved to be
 a mouse, with not one iota of good, honest
 sentiment, in his ugly carcass.

The strike is still on, every man deter-
 mined to win. Twelve weeks has not
 dampened their determination in the least;
 but win or lose, this strike will have its
 good result. It has shown to us that we
 had a traitor in our ranks. This has put
 him on record as one of the vilest scabs
 that ever lived. This strike has been bit-
 terly fought, and has placed some men on
 the black list, but those men will take their
 medicine to benefit others. Now, members
 of the I. B. E. W., will you help? This
 Buffalo-Rochester strike can be won, and
 a victory over the Buffalo company will
 mean a victory all along the line. So let
 every brother give his support to help Lo-

cals 44 and 45, and 27, of Baltimore, which
 is also putting up a sturdy fight. We are
 not in a position to go into details on this,
 as it is the hands of another executive offi-
 cer. The treasury of the I. B. E. W. has
 been exhausted fighting monopoly. Don't
 let any brother think the money has been
 wasted. If we do not gain a single point
 the money has been well spent. We have
 shown to the world that we can fight when
 required, and to the credit of the I. B. E.
 W. let it be said that there was not a dis-
 senting vote to spend every dollar; and
 let it also be said, to the credit of every
 member of the Brotherhood, that with few
 exceptions it gave entire satisfaction. These
 exceptions are so few we will not consider
 them, but will dwell lightly on a complaint
 of one who says the members of the E. B.
 have a snap. My dear reader, if you think
 there is a snap on the E. B., lay for it. The
 Convention is but a few months off, when
 you, who are looking for snaps, can try
 for them. The rank and file of this organ-
 ization have given the E. B. their honest
 support, and it is appreciated by each and
 every member of the board.

BOND YOUR OFFICERS.

We have frequently called the attention
 of the members to the importance of bond-
 ing their officers, but no attention has been
 paid to this advice, as we are in receipt of
 letters informing us that members who
 have been trusted have skipped out with
 the money, and in some cases have taken
 men's dues and signed their cards but
 failed to account to the local. There are
 many different kinds of thieves, but the
 fellow who will stoop to such petty thiev-
 ery is not a fit man to handle money with
 a bond. All men who handle others' money
 should be bonded. It is business.

**MEN SHOCKED BY ELECTRIC-
 ITY.**

Suggestions for Saving Them from Appar-
 ent Death.

Contributed by Local No. 31, Duluth, Minn.

The fact must be appreciated that acci-
 dental shocks seldom result in instant
 death and the rescuers should go to work
 in a prompt and systematic manner and
 should not get excited but keep up their
 efforts unceasingly until life is certainly
 extinct or the patient has been brought too
 successfully.

The following are the methods em-
 ployed:

If the body is still in contact with the
 source of current use a dry stick to push it
 away, or a board to stand on while remov-
 ing it:

Rule 1. Turn the body on the back and
 loosen the clothing about the neck and
 waist.

Rule 2. Roll a coat and place it under
 the shoulders so as to throw the head back.

Rule 3. Kneel at patient's head and
 grasping both arms draw them up to full
 length above the head bringing them
 nearly together and hold there for two or
 three seconds.

Rule 4. Then carry arms down to sides

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OUR LOCALS.

Local Union No. 3.

St. Louis, Mo., Aug. 5, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

In my last letter to our journal I informed the many readers that the Street R. R. strike was off, but it has been renewed as the company broke the agreement immediately after signing.

Local Union No. 3 is progressing rapidly. We have a membership of 293, of which 240 have been added since Jan. 1st, 1900. We have a company in the Imperial Elec. Co. which has always been fair to union labor, which has a contract to light the city for ten years and also does commercial work. A committee from the union waited on Mr. Brockman, the general manager, to have him recognize Local Union No. 3. We called on him at 11 a. m. July 13, and before 1:30 o'clock all foremen were notified to instruct those without cards to procure them at their earliest convenience or they would be discharged. There were very few that did not have good cards as Bro. Jesse Smith of L. U. 27, of Baltimore, is general foreman. We had no special inducements to offer Mr. Brockman other than to furnish him with first-class men at the time, but there is a movement on foot to have a committee wait on all unions that use electric power, especially the garment workers, to use their influence to get their employers to use the Imperial power on all goods manufactured bearing the union label, which will be a benefit to the electrical workers. I visited Belleville, Ill., last week and was tendered a very nice reception by the representatives of the unions, and must compliment the unions on their success, as there are fifty odd locals there which vary in membership from 15 to over 600, and the population is 20,000. The ice men, the milk men, the agents, collectors, conductors, butchers and barbers are all in separate unions. The business agent of the Federal Labor Union is obliged to speak three or four languages, as the majority of the members are foreigners. Is it possible that the laborers of other countries are further advanced in unionism than we are?

We have several members of No. 27 here working for the Imperial. Bro. John Schmidt has just arrived from Columbus, O., looking as jovial as ever.

Bro. Harry Dodge passed through a few weeks ago bound for Chicago, where he intends to reside in the future.

Mr. Wm. Lamme, who has been assistant superintendent of the Bell Tel. Co. for several years, has changed and has charge of the Kinloch Tel. Co.'s territorial work.

We are pleased to hear that the execu-

tive board at its meeting elected our worthy grand president as organizer to travel on the road; this is encouraging news, as we need him and hope he will prove a success in office. Wishing all brothers success, I remain,

Fraternally yours,
JOHN J. MUNSON,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 5.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Pittsburg, Pa., July 9, 1900.

As the time has nearly passed, and we have a bit of news and no P. S. in town, I thought it would not be amiss to write a few lines. We are still on strike against the contractors' association, with no settlement in sight; they claiming that our demands are unreasonable and advertising the same in the daily press, with such statements as this, with double-leaded headlines: "Will Don Overalls and Assist Each Other to Help on Their Respective Jobs." But summing the matter up most anyone here will see that they cut a very small figure in the matter, and we have something up our sleeve which will surprise some old wire-fixers and contractors in a very short time. Every brother seems contented to stay out till our demands are acceded to or bust. Traveling brothers will steer clear of here until trouble is over, and we think after this is settled there will be work for a few more good men. As I, as well as all other brothers are overworked, I will plead this excuse for not writing any more. With success to the I. B. E. W I will close.

Fraternally,
W. A. PULLIAM.

Pittsburg, Aug. 7, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As I have been elected to fill the office of press secretary, I will try to let the electricians know how things are progressing in Pittsburg. Being a poor scribe, and very poor on composition, I don't know that I can bring out anything interesting, but I will do the best I can.

Our strike is settled, and we got the other end of the stick. We gained about 2½ cents an hour; it is so little I have not stopped to figure it out. We were out for 35 cents an hour and had to accept 30 cents, which was offered us before we went out. During the strike two of the contractors signed our agreement and put several of the boys to work. They were the Carter Elect. Co. and the Sheridan Elect. Co., and the Alvin Theatre was started during the strike by Geo. Entrican, the theatre electrician. It is time and material work, and the new scale was recognized. Some of the boys are working there yet.

We had quite a bit of wrangling at our last meeting; hot shots were flying in all directions, but there did not seem to be anybody hurt after the meeting was over.

Most of the wrangling was during remarks on a motion made to admit a couple of scabs who had passed a very rigid examination. They were black balled, but there are conditions connected with their case—that is, we must take in all scabs that pass examination, if we want the contractors to take back the two contractors that signed our agreement at the first of the strike. Thereby hangs a tale you know (take your clothes and go). The association has a chronic desire to get rid of our business agent, but our worthy Bro. Harry Welsh will be kept in the field, which a unanimous vote has verified. We think it a very good recommendation for the association to want him out of the field.

We are having a good attendance at every meeting and the boys pay their dues like little me. Well, to tell the truth, it is a disgrace in Pitts. not to have a paid-up due card and an up-to-date working card. A little poster is pasted up in all union shops notifying the wire-fixers that their up-to-date cards must be produced before they receive their wages. We had several visitors from Nos. 14 and 39; that's right, boys, always bring the necessary credentials and password if you want admittance into No. 5. The latch-string is always out for that kind of people, but if you are looking for work I would not advise anybody to come this way just now, as there are quite a few of us loafing and anxious to know if there is anything doing anywhere else.

I am glad to state that Grand President Wheeler was here during our trouble, and we hope he will not wait till we are in trouble again before coming back. We have Charles Carter, H. S. Ashley, D. T. Brady and J. A. Lynch on the sick list.

The new people in No. 14 claim they will bring about the harmony desired between the two locals, which we are glad to see. I suppose most every wire-fixer in the U. S. knows Eddie Herps, or Bill Nye, since he had his head shaved; well, I'll tell you how he held his finger in position while a 200 pound solenoid was falling in that direction, and naturally broke the end of his finger off; then he said he wanted to go to Louisville for a few days only. After being there a week he writes to his foreman stating that his finger was festering and he would like to stay till it got well. After being gone three weeks he comes back and says he spent all of \$90; the furniture had to be stored away though. That's why he had his head shaved, so he can't pull it. It's a wonder he didn't get his legs pulled off so he can't kick himself. That's all right, Eddie, you can go to Buffalo, anyhow. Having been sojourning in Louisville myself, I am glad to say the boys seem to be very much elated over the success they have had in the last six months. Bro. Johnny Deibel will make a

good town of it yet if the lads will give him the support. I wonder if Ross, of No. 107 would tip his hat to a bit of bromide of potassium.

I am sorry to find Bros. Strub and Pulliam out of the city and we hope they will not make themselves scarce of Pitts. altogether.

There are some of the boys sore because things did not turn out as they expected they would, but that is no reason for any brother in this grand cause to feel like staying away from the meetings or even think of withdrawing, as I heard some say. There are others that have to grin and bear it, so why shouldn't you. Stand by Local No. 5. There is another time coming, when there will be another committee appointed with power to act, and some of you kickers might be on it, then we will see how you handle the business of the local in troublous times. The committee perhaps thought it best to do as they did, and one thing we should give them credit for is that the local still stands to censure them if it chooses, which would be the case with any other body of men. So let bygones be bygones and get ready for the next agreement, thereby showing what experience has taught you. We are glad to hear from the front office that our strike was carried on in a business-like manner. There was only one scab that was a member of the local.

R. L. BRUCE,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 6.

San Francisco, July 9, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

No. 6 has held its annual picnic and we are now ready to go to work again. Two full train loads, of 12 or 14 coaches to a train, dropped into San Jose, and the fun soon commenced.

W. S. Hardy won first prize for the pole-climbing contest, doing a pole 51 feet out of the ground in 15 2-5 seconds; Ed Vernon second, in 15 3-5, and T. J. Coffman third in 16 2-5.

Country climbing contest was won by L. J. Coffman going up and down two 30's in 17 seconds.

L. J. Coffman, cross-arming contest, 2 min. 14 sec.; T. J. Coffman, 2 min. 25 sec.; D. Extrom, 2 min. 45 sec.

In the hand-line contest all the boys took a shot at a wire 51 feet from the ground, but many of them fell short. Only three put the rope over, and one just touched the wire. W. Willets, an old-time coaster who had been used to the 78 and 80-foot poles of Seattle, put 38 paces of line over, the best throw of the day. He will spread around town in a new bat in consequence. Joe Burge came second with 34½ paces, and L. J. Coffman 28 paces.

One-hundred-yards race for inside men was won by A. C. Dwendell 1st, Ed Miskell 2d, W. A. Cook 3d. San Jose carried away the prizes in the bicycle race. M. Rouly one mile in 2:45, D. Manning 2d, 2:44½. The ground men comfortably filled and everyone seemed to be having a good time. Some had warmer times than others, and No. 64, or some of the boys from Oakland, will think of San Jose with regrets.

The boys started the eight hours and \$3 per day movement promptly at 8 a. m. on July 2d, Monday, and with a very few exceptions all are at work on those terms. We had to read the riot act to a couple of firms, and the Spreckles Co. let out some of their men. The Spreckles Co. is worth about 80 or 90 million dollars, and they are too poor to pay American wages, so they hire mostly Italians at \$1.25 per day, yet the Spreckles Co. expect us Americans to buy their sugar at Sugar Trust prices, so it goes on, and the American still casts his ballot for the owners and controllers of the trust, puts the club in the other man's hand, and kicks because he pounds him with it.

The great Republican party has just held a bang-wang in the city of Brotherly love; but if you or anyone else can see any love shown to the laboring-man by that gang I'll eat my shirt. They say to us labor unions, "Keep out of politics; they will ruin your unions." Yes; but do the great trusts keep out of politics? It is by controlling politics they are able to control wages and hours and prices of commodities. We keep out of politics and expect to control wages and hours—fighting capital with capital of poor men. Why, my dear brother laborer, all you have to do is vote right. You are 65 per cent. of the voters; cast your votes for labor and friends of labor and you can make your own laws and put the enemies of labor where they belong. If you want to have the say you will have to be the boss. As long as Mark Hanna is boss he will have the say. If you think he has any love for labor you are mistaken. He broke up the sailors' union on the great lakes. Bryan has promised a great many things if he is elected. Now you hold your hand on your head till they keep those promises and your hand will grow there. Only honey for the flies, boys. So long.

ANN ARKIST,
Press Sec.

San Francisco, Cal., July 22, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

The following brothers have been duly elected and installed to fill the offices for ensuing term:

Pres.—Geo. F. Keetley.
Vice-Pres.—Chas. D. Stanton.
Rec. Sec.—A. E. Yoell.
Fin. Sec.—R. P. Gale.
Treas.—Chas. Stark.

Foreman—Edw. Smith.

Inspectors—Francis Haskell, J. Y. Darnell.

Trustees—L. D. Moulin, R. G. Alexander, J. J. Cameron.

Fraternally yours,

A. E. YOELL,
Sec.

S. F., Cal., Aug. 4, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Hope this reaches you in time for publication; laid up with a case of grippe mixed in with a little negligence, accounts for its late appearance.

Comrades and brothers, it is with pleasure I send this month's greeting from No. 6 to all our brother locals. No. 6 has passed through a slight attack of prosperity and good fortune this month, which it has never before appreciated, and the ordeal was indeed a pleasant and satisfactory surprise to a great many people other than members of our own local.

The 8-hour and \$3.00 day passed in as though it had always been so. Of course there were a few side issues, but force of circumstances brought a prompt realization of the fact that the paramount issue for which No. 6 was out was 8 hours and \$3.00, and not trouble. So of course our peaceable and kind contractors decided, inasmuch as we were such a bunch of good fellows, to do the handsome, and consequently better feeling between the contractors and No. 6 exists to-day than ever before.

Work was lively for a few weeks, but guess it was a false alarm, and things to-day are at the same go-as-you-please gait as usual. However, August will pick up some, as the decoration of the streets and City Hall and other important buildings, during the Native Sons' celebration, on Sept. 9, necessitating about 15,000 lights, will help out wonderfully; but would advise anyone with intentions of migrating this way to just come to an about face and stay where there is a bed, as there are more men than jobs at present, and winter will soon be on again, and work is generally pretty slack then.

Another item of interest is the successful bringing into the fold of the entire organization of electrical mechanics, the opposition union, which has made a hard fight, but like good union men, seeing how hopeless were their chances of recognition, and feeling that the grievances they held against No. 6 were obsolete and laid away, they decided to come where they belong and have always belonged, nameily, into No. 6, and I feel No. 6 should certainly congratulate itself on the acquirement of such a body of workers, as each and every one is a thorough mechanic, and the best of results are to be hoped for and expected

from the successful consolidation of the two organizations upon lines of harmony and good-fellowship.

Well, brothers, I am no doubt becoming a bit tiresome, but inasmuch as our socialistic friend, who by the way is on his way to China over the briny deep as electrician of a transport, will not have a chance this month, at least, to make you listen to the rights of socialism, and request your co-operation in electing our next president, etc. His nom de plume is Ann Arkist! Is he one? What? Well, I'm done, so "Get along there." "AUTOMOBILE."

Local Union No. 7.

Springfield, Mass., Aug. 1, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Well, Mr. Editor, since my last letter I have heard from our worthy past president and he is getting along very nicely and expects to go to work next week in Denver, which is good news to No. 7. Our vice-president has gone to Prince Edward Island, taking in his boyhood scenery for two months. Good luck Joe, and enjoy yourself. Business is fair and all the boys are at work.

While writing I was interrupted by our worthy president, Charles, who says he rode on his wheel thirty-four and a half miles in two hours and twelve minutes. Jimmie Michel, beware!

The 11th our local voted to go to Holyoke on the 16th to pay a visit to No. 94. We found a very good body of gentlemen who conducted their meeting as old standbys. We assisted them in initiating a new member. One thing I liked was the officers knew their ritual by heart, and I think it would be well if all officers did the same, No. 7 for instance. After the meeting we adjourned to Marble Hall, where we had a good time and a smoker. Good luck to 94; may you prosper.

About our dear brothers of No. 37—they sent us invitations to come to Hartford the 4th and join them in a labor parade, but, brothers, your kind invitation came too late, as all the boys had made different arrangements.

We are going to have a big labor parade on Labor Day and I am going to try and have Nos. 37 and 94 join us if possible. I am told that our worthy Grand Vice-President Sheehan is trying to have all the locals this way hold a union picnic in the near future. I think it a good scheme; "push it along," brothers. The locals to consist of Nos. 7, 37, 94, 11 and 90 and I believe it would benefit the Brotherhood and would give us a chance to get acquainted with some of our newly married officers and brothers.

We are going to have the next New England conference in this city next

month. It will be a great benefit to our local, as they are agitating the eight-hour movement, which is sure to come soon, but first we must be better organized. There are about 30 in this locality who should belong to the Brotherhood, big work for an organizer yet in this city. Grand President, when you come east, you will be welcome in our beloved city. Our delegates went to a conference held in Worcester the 8th. They gave a very satisfactory report. It included all the locals in the state.

Mr. Editor, I would like to see all the press secretaries write to the journal, say the September Worker, and tell about the condition of their unions, a little on unionism, and to circulate the Worker to all non-union workers all over the country. I believe it would get them to join the unions in their respective cities. Oh yes, about the strike last May; I was to tell about it. Well, the boys were getting \$2.40 per day. They wanted \$2.50. They got it, and also nine hours per day. The boys told me to let the whole matter drop, as I will, because it is satisfactory all around. So there you are.

I will endeavor to tell the conditions of contractors in my next letter, also stationary work.

STRIKES.

It is not probable trade unions will ever entirely abandon the use of strikes. Unions may be ever so committed to the principles of arbitration, yet there will always be a few individual employers whose cupidity will get the better of their judgment, and in the vain hope to have their conditions more advantageous than those surrounding their competitors, they will invariably arrive at the point where their employees, having no other remedy, will strike. But because the strike is not to be entirely discarded as a weapon is no reason why any labor union should senselessly indulge in its use. We say labor unions, because it is not expected that unorganized working people, who have had no experience in collective effort, should show the same reasoning powers as their more fortunate and more intelligent fellow workers who have seen and appreciated the advantages of organized effort. The impulse of the moment will always govern an organized mob, while the degree of intelligence that would naturally cause working people to unite for the defense of their common interests would also seem likely to suggest to them that their power as an organized body should be used reasonably and at the proper time. A strike should never be resorted to if it can be avoided, and in deciding whether a strike is expedient or not many things must be taken into consideration. These questions vary with different trades, for instance if a building is being erected, the

time to establish satisfactory wages is while the building is being erected, and, if necessary, a strike must be undertaken, as the building is only built once, and may stand for a hundred years, and so on with all trades.

LABOR DECALOGUE.

I. Thou shalt join a union of thy craft and have no other union before it.

II. The meetings thereof shalt thou attend and pay thy tithes with regularity. Thou shalt not attribute unholy purposes to thy brother in the union. Beware of the fact that thou be honest. "There are others."

III. Thou shalt not take thy neighbor's job.

IV. Thou shalt not labor more than eight hours for one day's work, nor on the Sabbath, nor on any of the holy days (holidays.)

V. Thou shalt not hire of thy offspring of tender years. Poverty and shame shall be to him that refuseth instructions to his children.

VI. Clothe not the wife of thy bosom in mean apparel that it be a testimony against thee.

VII. Thou shalt not live in a hovel nor feed on the husks that the swine doth eat. Take thou not alms from the unrighteous, lest it bemeaneth thee.

VIII. Honor the female sex, for on this rock rests the future welfare of man.

IX. Waste not thou thy life in the chase after the ethereal lest the substance be filched from thee. The Lord helpeth those who helpeth themselves. Thou helpeth thyself best by helping thy brother workers in the union of labor.

X. Thy brother's welfare is thy concern. Therefore shalt thou have a care for him and his. Associate thyself with thy brother worker that thy pay may be heightened, thy hours of labor shortened, and the days of thy life and the life of all may be lengthened and brightened.

SYMPATHETIC STRIKES.

Whenever there is a large labor trouble we usually hear more or less talk about inaugurating a sympathetic strike. The motive which prompts men to suggest a sympathetic strike is always good. There can be no grander intention than to sacrifice one's interest to the last extremity in behalf of a fellow worker, but for the practical purpose of assisting to win the strike it seems to us that those fellow unionists of other crafts, who continue to work, and contribute liberally from their wages will render the craft engaged in the difficulty more substantial assistance than if they too ceased work, thus becoming an additional burden rather than a source of help.

Different branches of the same industry may well unite in a sympathetic strike, but the proposition that different trades, organized in different organizations, governed by different laws, having no grievance with their employers, shall all join in a sympathetic strike, carries with it a disregard and disobedience of their national union laws and creates confusion which it may take years to remove. Injury is done to the cause for lack of support to those who engage, for lack of employment, and to many employers, without just grievance. Ten per cent. of the earnings of ten thousand who are employed will pay standard wages to one thousand strikers, but if the ten thousand quit work it then requires ten per cent. of the earnings of one hundred thousand. My advice to those who contemplate joining in a sympathetic strike is to consider the matter carefully and determine whether they can assist the strike more by contributing even one-half of their wages than they can by rendering themselves idle altogether.

Yours truly,

T. B.,

Press Sec.

Local Union No. 8.

Toledo, O., Aug. 8, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As I have succeeded in getting my circuit-breaker into position again, I will proceed to let loose another minute flow of brilliancy.

I will speak of the weather first, as that is the most talked-of subject on the streets of Toledo these days. The extreme heat struck this burg Sunday, Aug. 5th, and the mercury has continued to rise each day above the 90 mark; nice weather to crawl around in an attic covered with a tin roof, hey!

Bro. J. L. Paratschek succumbed to the heat last Monday afternoon so far that he had to quit work at 3 p. m. Who would have thought that a man of his stature and endurance would let a little heat get the best of him.

Would like to hear from Bro. Harry Cale, formerly of No. 66, who was in our city sick some weeks ago. How goes it, Harry? Local No. 8 would be pleased to have a letter from her past president, Bro. C. E. Marryatt, who left us several weeks ago.

Work has been quite dull in Toledo this summer, but all of No. 8's members are employed at present and we have five applications in the hands of investigating committees. W. S. Smith, formerly superintendent for the Toledo Traction Co., has bought the controlling interest in the Star Electric Co., and it is now a strictly union shop.

My ammeter indicates that my circuit-breaker is about to fly out again. Wishing you all success I remain,

Yours fraternally,

H. J. BAKER,

Press Sec.

Local Union No. 10.

Indianapolis, Ind., Aug. 5, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As I was elected Press Sec. I will now try my first letter. Our officers will be for this term:

Pres.—A. C. Phipps.

V. Pres.—James Bocen.

R. Sec.—W. O. Dudley.

F. Sec.—Guy McCulla.

Treas.—John Berry.

Inspectors } Eli Pike.

Chas. Hayes.

Foreman—O. C. Trusler.

Press Sec.—W. J. Bailey.

Would like to see unions take more interest or in other words secretaries of unions. Our union wrote to Terre Haute about a man by the name of Ballard; to Detroit, about a man by the name of Geo. Evans; to New York City about George Brown and have received no reply from any of them and is holding cards and awaiting an answer from locals.

If Brother Curtis is in Cleveland tell him to write to W. O. Dudley No. 10.

What is the matter with sending a few extra journals to secretary of union, as every brother don't receive his journal.

Yours truly,

W. J. BAILEY.

Press Sec.

Local Union No. 13.

El Paso, Tex., Aug. 2, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

No. 13 has news galore this trip. To begin with, we have held four extra meetings in the last week, and there is another meeting called for to-morrow evening to initiate five new members. The International Light and Power Co., which began operations June 1st, was not paying our scale by 50 cents per day. They claimed that \$2.50 was standard wages on the grounds that the contractors who installed the plant only paid that, thereby taking their stand. Our members got tired of their game and went after them in earnest. Our committee asked for an audience with the board of directors, which was granted, the committee presenting our scale which had been signed by all local firms. When they asked the directors to sign they asked for time for consideration. The committee gave them one week, at the expiration of which the committee called again and as before the company tried to avoid the question. They were given 24 hours to sign it or all the

men would be called out. They signed without further pressure. Now comes a side issue. The head engineer, who belongs to our local, had in the meantime asked the company for a raise of \$25.00 per month, they agreeing to give him a definite answer at such time as they settled the question of our scale. When they signed our scale they informed him that his salary would not be raised. He immediately shed his overalls, trimmed his board and shut down, walking out just at dark. The result was their customers experienced several hours of darkness, with several of the directors in the plant to witness the trouble of finding the second engineer and starting up again. Our committee called at the plant that night and gave the manager to understand that we intended to see our brother through with the result that the directors met the next morning, had our brother come before them, heard his side of the case, gave him the required salary and made him chief engineer.

The members of our local were all made glad some two weeks ago by the return to our ranks of Bro. E. P. McBroom. He has been firing out of this place on the G. H. R. R. since last spring.

We are having a great many new members but some of them are out of work at present, but hope to see them all at work soon.

During the past week we have also had some trouble with the City Council on account of the appointment of a city electrician. When it was first talked of we supposed they would surely put in one of our boys; in fact we had the promise of two or three aldermen's support, so we decided on our man and sent in his application drawn up in due form, endorsed by the K. of L., Trades Council, B. of L. E., B. of L. T., O. R. C. and all other labor organizations in the city. When one of the aldermen got up and proposed one of his friends they just railroaded him through and never even opened our application. Now you can talk of fire and brimstone, well you could not smell much else for some time for the air was so full of sulphurous talk. We did not mind getting beat out of the office but it was the way it was done that raised our fighting blood and when we got started we did not think of quitting. We succeeded in enlisting the sympathy of one of our best daily papers and we just put the case so plain that the mayor and Council were wild, for they are very anxious to be re-elected next spring. So a committee from No. 13 waited on the mayor and used their best persuasive powers to get him to veto the election but he refused, saying he would stick to the Council. So the next step was to get the opinion of a lawyer and he decided it was illegal, for they had appointed a man to an office that had not

yet been created. Armed with that opinion the Trades Council and K. of L. got in the road and called a special meeting for all members to appear to march en masse to City Council meeting and demand the office of city electrician be declared vacant. But now comes the laughable part. We started from the labor hall about two hundred strong and someone notified the Council that the whole town was coming down to mob them and they immediately suspended the regular order of business and dispensed with reading of the minutes. One good brother moved they reconsider their previous action and declare the office of city electrician vacant, so by the time the delegates arrived there was nothing more for us to do. We feel as if we had won a great fight but to tell the truth we have never lost a point since we organized. I think that a pretty good record for unlucky No. 13. We have only one more possible fight on hand now, that of a St. Louis contractor, Newbury. He insists that \$2.50 is all he will pay, but we will see about that later. We are to have a trolley car system soon, also a new telephone company is promised, but cannot tell. We don't hear much from Mexico now, as all our migrating brothers have been gone some time.

H. BURKE,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 14.

Pittsburg, Pa., Aug. 8, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As the press secretary had mailed his letter, would like this given a prominent place. Since the exit of one H. T. Sullivan from this city, and the arrival of Brotherhood men honest at heart, the success of No. 14 is assured, and will start climbing to stay. But it is up-hill work. When men are approached to join they either show receipts that they have already paid some money and say they won't lose any more, as they don't know what becomes of it. Then again the answer will be, "Not on your life. One man runs that local, and it is no good." Here is a sample of something that was whispered all over town:

Time—Meeting night.

Order of Business—Nominations.

Present—One member. I nominate H. T. Sullivan chairman.

I'll entertain a motion to close the nominations. Motion passed.

H. T. S., Chairman.

It was just such business as this that has kept the local down. On visiting No. 5 it was discovered he had hurt their interest, inasmuch as money had been collected and, at last accounts, No. 5 had got hot air to the tune of \$25 or \$26, and it will take until those who have paid money find out he is not a member, and that the Brotherhood don't countenance such a thing, before they will come to the front and the

full tale be told. It is not bad enough to know intending members are being beat, but to have letters coming from all the brothers who visited and find out they have got the same hot air. One of the worst features is for a man to beat a board bill; \$45 is not picked up every day by a landlady. If you don't believe this story, ask the Hamilton Hotel. But, Bro. Sherman, will headquarters stand good for this?

This same H. T. Sullivan carries a working-card good for six months, which he showed to a brother in Chicago. The books here show that, since depositing his card in No. 14 last September, when the local was given its charter, but 60 cents has been paid by that gentleman; that was in January, 1900.

Now, Bro. Burgess asked the members of No. 5 to assist by telling how much they had lost. The best that could be given was that outside of the \$25 already mentioned, No. 14 had not paid \$24 which was due for rent and which the members of No. 14 thought was paid. That is one of the main reasons No. 14 has had hard sledding—a one-man local.

But two wrongs can't make one right. We are honest laboring men, and claim and stand by it. Our Brotherhood is built on a rock, with men who don't countenance such diplomacy as displayed by this same gentleman (a mistake). But this is not written in a vindictive spirit, but to warn all locals against that calibre of individuals traveling in dual roles; and it should be taken as a warning that when letters are sent inquiring about men who happen to strike a town and run the gauntlet, to answer those letters at once, and the Brotherhood will be well repaid in the end.

J. H. WELSH, Bus. Ag't No. 5,

J. BURGESS, Local No. 14,

R. L. BRUCE, Local No. 5,

F. H. WILSDEN, Sec. No. 5,

Committee.

Not half this tale has been told. You will hear more next month, and we hope No. 9 will not let this go unnoticed, but take action.

Local Union No. 15.

Jersey City, N. J., Aug. 7, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As I did not get a chance to send any letter to the Worker last month I give below the new officers for the coming term:

Pres.—W. A. Gross.

Vice-Pres.—P. Sorenson.

F. S.—Geo. Rohers.

R. S.—C. E. Bessel.

Press Sec.—E. Arrington.

Treas.—M. Downes.

Inspectors—G. Hutton, J. Riley.

Foreman—Nat Osborne.

Trustees—G. Hutton, Wm. Miers, Wm. Garrison.

Del. to B. T. U. E. B.—E. Arrington.

At our last meeting there was a sad announcement of the accidental death of one of our esteemed brothers, Al. Glover. Al-

though a young member, he was a good, staunch union man, and one of the few who have the cause at heart and a tireless worker. At this meeting a vote was taken to bow our heads in five minutes silence, to drape our charter for thirty days, and appointing a committee to draw up a set of resolutions extending to his aged mother and brother the heartfelt sympathies of each and every member thereof in this their great bereavement.

I see by the Worker, or I should say our local saw the actions taken by the E. B. on our grievances in regard to Local No. 3 of N. Y. City and must say that, to put it mild, we were surprised. As we drained our treasury to help our brothers in their troubles—Locals 21 and 27—we could not send a delegate to Rochester at your meeting to espouse our cause. Being good and true union brothers, we voted to help our brothers in trouble and trust our cause with the G. P., whom I had a personal interview with in Local 20 meeting room when he was here. We submit, but only for the time being, as this, in our minds, concerns the whole Brotherhood. It teaches us in the preamble of our constitution that a common cause and universal sympathy should exist among all electrical workers. I should like to know how it is going to do so when you come among us, we get together and organize, you grant us a charter, take our hard-earned money every month and then go right across the river and grant a charter to a body giving them jurisdiction right over our heads and as I have stated before ignore an article in our constitution, Article XIV, Section 7. As Bro. Tripp did some talking and made the motion, I would like to ask him to explain these few questions through the Worker, and would like also to ask the G. T., and I think we have a perfect right as a local to know, why there has been no report of any P. C. tax being paid in to him from Local No. 3 of New York in his report from Feb. up to date. We fail to see anything coming from them, not even a cent for a charter. Now, there again, is Article V, Section 8, of our Constitution; it looks to us down in this part of the country that this constitution of ours is a little bit flim-flammy, and the quicker this whole matter is righted the better it will be for our whole Brotherhood in this part of the country. As our neighboring locals are interesting themselves in this matter, I asked these questions, some of them before and would like to have them considered and answers published in the next Worker.

Fraternally yours,
E. A., P. Sec.

Local Union No. 16.

Evansville, Ind., August 5, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Local Union No. 16 is all O. K. just at present. We have taken in a few more

brothers and hope to have every lineman in the city before long. We have had our election at last and are glad of it, but everything went off all right. Following are the officers installed for the ensuing term:

Pres.—E. J. Mitchell.
V.-Pres.—Ed. Cavin.
Rec. Sec.—C. G. Kern.
Fin. Sec.—L. Riggs.
Treas.—O. Vennmen.
Foreman—F. Niff.
Trustees—E. Cavin, A. Hartley and L. Riggs.

Press Sec.—H. C. Deshler.

I am sorry to say three of our boys have taken out three months' traveling cards and left town last night. It will make us look small next meeting, but I hope we will get along all right.

Bro. E. Hoskin dropped in on us the other night and we all had a good time, but he has left town again.

By the way, I almost forgot to state that Bro. Kern has a beautiful little daughter at his house, and Bro. Roy Thompson has a lineman.

Well, as this is my first letter and I haven't much news to write, I will close, hoping to do better next time.

Yours fraternally,

H. C. DESHLER,

Press Sec.

Local Union No. 17.

Detroit, Aug. 7, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As this is my first attempt at a letter for your valuable paper, you will have to excuse me if I do not send all of the news, and please rectify all errors.

All of the brothers are working and things seem to be going along smoothly and peacefully and harmony prevails. There is no rush of work just now. The Telephone Co. is sending some of their city men outside.

There are a few of the brothers on the sick list and we have quite a few brothers from sister locals in the city.

There is strong talk of either an opposition company or a municipal company.

I hope before this that all our sister locals have had their troubles adjusted satisfactorily. Local No. 17 has changed its meeting night from Tuesday to Monday and the place of meeting from 47 Monroe to No. 9 Cadillac Square, and we gave an open meeting at our new quarters last evening which was a great success.

This letter is rather short but I hope to be able to have a longer one for the next month.

EDWARD HINDSON,

Press Sec.

Greater New York Local No. 20.

New York, Aug. 7th, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

I have but very little to say in regard to electrical work in this city. Some tele-

phone companies are always putting on men. The New York Tel. Co. is doing a hustling business on both sides of the Hudson. They are now constructing a line from New Brunswick, N. J. to Jersey City. It is under the management of Mr. Angus Chisholm, one of the finest men that ever worked for a corporation. It is understood that the New York Tel. Co. is going to maintain the Long Distance lines in Jersey to the extent of the thirty-mile limit. By so doing they will naturally make it a separate division.

Our local is progressing most favorably. The meetings are largely attended of late. The business agent, Bro. Casey, is doing excellent work. At last meeting fifteen applications were received. In the report at second last meeting, Bro. Casey stated that he could get nearly all the men who worked in Brooklyn during the last strike, to join the union in a body, and asked Local 20 whether he would bring their applications to be rejected or not. A motion to that effect was put and seconded and a storm of eloquence arose on the discussing of the question. After much talent was displayed, a vote was taken, resulting by a small majority in favor of bringing the applications in to be acted upon. Whether those applicants will ever see the inside of our hall or not, will remain a mystery to us until the worthy vice shall disclose the candidates elected or rejected.

Some brothers who have met with accidents lately are improving nicely. Bro. Grane is getting around wonderfully with his broken ankle. Bro. Alex Chisholm, who got a roasting in Yonkers' Power Station a couple of weeks ago, we are pleased to learn is out with the boys once more, but not able to do much work. You all heard about Bro. Jack Mack being worried for a few weeks, but it is all over, and he says the boy looks just like his old dad.

On July 27th, previous to our picnic, Bro. J. G. Johnston, while performing gymnastics on a tight wire fifty feet in the air, unfortunately fell to the ground receiving injuries which may prove fatal. He was taken to Kings County Hospital, Brooklyn, where he is receiving the best of care and treatment. We are all looking forward for news regarding his condition.

A word about our picnic, which was an encouraging success. The opening of sports began by an interesting and exciting game of ball between Nos. 20 and 87. It was not what could be called a pitcher's battle, but the batting and fielding honors were equally divided. The following score shows the line-up of teams:

Local 20.	Local 87.
Van Tassell, c	Marquette, 1b
O'Brien, p	Datoon, s. s.
Grace, 3b	Cheeks, p

Berwick, c f	Villeger, 1 f
Masteller, 1 f	Pyauer, r f
McLaren, s s	Trimmerson, 3b
Elmore, 2b	Buttler, c f
Condon, 1b	Willis, c
Fenny, r f	Breslin, 2b

The score by innings:

	1	2	3	4	5
Local 20	1	2	2	4	9—18
Local 87	6	4	6	2	0—18

The game was called at the end of the fifth inning in order to proceed with the other sports during daylight.

Handline throwing, which was hotly contested, was won by W. Ward, breaking the record by throwing 110 feet of half inch rope over a fifty-five foot line.

The climbing contest seemed to be the center of attraction, enjoyed by the fair sex in general as well as the linemen in particular. L. Swartz lowered the previous record by five seconds. Height of pole 55 feet; time 16 seconds. T. Ballrid gave a creditable performance on the slack wire, which was cut short on account of the lateness of the evening. The soul-stirring strains of the band brought one and all to the hall which was magnificently decorated. The grand march was led by Vice-Pres. R. Snider and his bewitching lady. "How well they are mated and how perfectly they conduct the march," were the whispered words of some fair critic. The usual order of dancing followed. The cake walk prize competition, which caused much laughter and applause, was won by Mary Parkany and J. Tammany. The crowd dispersed about 11:30, and I must say that their decorous conduct during the whole affair could not be excelled.

Yours Very Truly,

MAC.

Local Union No. 22.

Omaha, Neb., Aug. 8, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

I have just returned to the city after having been on a trip during the greater part of the summer in the Middle States. By the request of the present secretary, I shall endeavor to give the electrical Brotherhood some idea of how things are going in Omaha, and how Local Union No. 22 is situated at the present time.

On July 22nd, Bro. Jacob A. Craun was seriously injured by receiving a shock and fall at the corner of Nineteenth and Dodge streets. After suffering for three days, he died on Wednesday at 10:30 a. m., July 25. A committee was appointed by Local Union No. 22 to make arrangements for the funeral and to secure a wreath of flowers. This committee was composed of Bros. Wales, Huen and Leedon. A committee consisting of Bros. Jacobs, Russell and Curran was appointed to write a letter of condolence, and draft suitable resolutions. The committee did all

in their power to see that Bro. Craun was properly buried, and the committee on arrangements should be especially congratulated for the manner in which they acquitted themselves. Bro. Craun leaves a brother and sister in Eagle, Mich., and the corpse was forwarded there as per their request.

Last week a lineman by the name of James Dent was electrocuted on a pole at the corner of 7th and Jones streets. Mr. Dent was not a union man I am sorry to state, but he belonged to the Modern Woodmen, and therefore his family will not suffer immediately.

Bro. Huhn has just received a letter from Salt Lake, stating that there was a strike on there among the linemen, and for all linemen to keep away from that place. Also stated that the Telegraphic companies positively refused to receive any messages containing anything in reference to the strike. It is too bad that the boys did not refer to the code, in accordance with the constitution.

I wish to extend my regards to Bros. Jones, Reimsed and Osborn, in fact all the brothers in Union No. 18. I wish to say, brother editor, that Union No. 18 is well supplied with good material for the advancement of a strong local in the near future.

I shall be compelled to make this brief this time as I am very busy.

Bro. Paul Myers is installing an isolated plant in the Boston Store, a large department store in this city. He is putting in a Westinghouse Generator, about 75 arc lights throughout the building, and about 3,000 incandescent lights of 16 candle power. The job is being done in iron armor, and Bro. Myers is to be congratulated upon the manner in which he is installing this plant.

I trust all members will attend the meetings more regularly in the future than in the past, and that our secretary will do his duty in the future which he has not done heretofore. I am surprised at the manner in which things are running in our local at the present time.

Boys, brace up; keep up the good work started some months ago. Don't be pikers.

Fraternally Yours,
GEO. E. RUSSELL,
Press Sec. Pro Tem.

Local 24, Attention!

Rocky River, O., July 29, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Having looked through July Worker in hopes of finding some news concerning Local 24 and being disappointed I wish to let the boys know that I think of them and would like to see a few lines as to how they are progressing. I am enjoying my trip first rate and am only sorry for one thing—Why didn't someone tell me to get

a card years ago? I am doing all I can to get the boys in line wherever I go and hope that I may be the cause of some few of those on the outside getting into the fold. I attended the picnic given by Local 33 of Cleveland and the affair was a grand success so far as I am concerned. The only thing to mar the pleasure of the day was an unfair decision rendered in one of the contests, but as the judges have passed their opinion, why kick? I expect to be with you in a few months and will endeavor to keep posted as to how you are doing if you only will do your share. Now P. S., light your lamps and let 24 come to the front with a good letter every month.

Very truly yours,
E. J. MAYBERRY.

Local Union No. 27.

Baltimore, Md., Aug. 7, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

It is with much surprise that I look in the Electrical Worker from month to month and find No. 27 has no Press Secretary. A city of one-half million inhabitants and a membership in the union of about 400 should have a letter in the journal every month. Some press secretaries might think there was little news to write, but since our strike or lockout, as it may be justly termed, there has been more news than even the daily papers could well handle.

To begin with on May 19th a letter was mailed to each of the electric light and telephone companies asking for their favorable consideration of an increase in wages by the 26th, what we all thought we were justly entitled to. One of our objects was to make Balto. a \$3.00 town. On May 21st, as the employees of the United Electric Light and Power Co. came in from their day of honest toil, they were called in to the august presence of the then general manager and asked the question "do you intend to stand by the company or the union," to which but few men replied, as they knew not what the company intended to do. Thereupon, twenty-two were discharged and the rest decided to a man to stand by those who were discharged and went out in a body, 114 in all, with the result that the city was in almost total darkness for about two weeks.

Grand Treasurer Wissinger was immediately sent for, arriving here when the strike was four days old. The Marshall of Police, who was an old retired army officer and as some say an old "granny," sent a detective for Bro. Wissinger, who was taken into the marshal's private office and there informed regarding the laws of Maryland and sternly advised to commit no breach of the peace, to which our grand treasurer replied I am probably as well acquainted with the laws of the state of Maryland as the average policeman, as I

am a registered voter in Balto. and am well known here in political circles, having worked for the Edison Electric Co. before the consolidation for four and one-half years. After giving several prominent men as reference, Bro. Wissinger was allowed to make his escape, though they do say that since that interview his picture hangs in the rogues' gallery of the police department of Balto. City. Bro. Wissinger then appeared at a special meeting and a plan of action was laid out, and an executive committee was appointed to handle matters. About this time the company began to import scabs from all sections of the country, some coming from Maine; others from Florida. The mountains of Pennsylvania and Virginia were scoured and many boys came here to trim arc lamps at \$2.50 per day and board who had never touched a carbon or wire in their lives and in all cases were secured under false pretenses and informed there was no strike. Six hundred of these men returned to their homes on finding there was trouble, but many stayed. The company rented an old saw-mill called the "Bull Pen," with a high board fence around it 12 feet high, on top of which they run barbed wire charged with 2000 volts. To the men on the inside they said it was to keep the strikers out, but the fact really was it was to keep the scabs in.

Over 95 per cent. of the citizens of the city were heartily in sympathy with us. All the newspapers were favoring us and the scabs were being mobbed by the women and children when they tried to trim lamps. At the end of two weeks a crowd of small boys marched several blocks with tallow candles to show them the way down the principal street, which shows how completely the company was whipped, but still they would not give in. Their claim was that the strike could not possibly injure them any more than it had. But the true reason was that after two weeks of police protection of five police and one sergeant to a bunch of four scabs, trying to do one man's work, the company drew up an injunction, took the train out to West Virginia, there had a judge of the U. S. Circuit Court, Goff by name, sign the same, making it contempt of court for an honest man to approach, speak to, wink at, or in any way whatsoever try to influence, persuade, solicit or in any other manner whatsoever try to get the scabs to quit work. But this move did not succeed, as the citizens then refused to burn lamps till their old trimmers came back to do the work. Mass meetings were held, business men held indignation meetings, but the company, all the time thinking we would break ranks, refused to listen to reason and are now placed in a position where the merchants, the city and all do not care to deal with them unless they positively have to. Several large concerns have decided

to put in isolated plants and in many other ways the company is losing what they will never regain. By the way, I will mention that the president of the company is also a private contractor and contracted with himself to do all the work for the company, quite likely on a percentage and where he loses cents in the company will make dollars as a contractor. The stockholders are beginning to wake up to that fact, which will probably be something in our favor.

On the 26th of May the telephone company, not having received a reply to their communication went out for three days, when the company offered the 25 cent increase which in all cases was not up to the \$3.00 per day, but was accepted and the men returned to work.

A few days later the inside wiremen struck on one of the local firms and after being out a few days were granted their demands and returned to work.

On June 26th the general manager was let out with the Electric Co., and a new one appointed, who has proven himself little better than the first. We are now on the 12th week and I hope the strike will soon be settled as the boys hollered scab at me for 30 miles in the country when we trimmed out some trees on the telegraph lines a few days ago.

We now have some hopes of getting a settlement on the lines of all men going back to their respective positions and the wage question to be taken up later.

We owe much to Bro. Wissinger, who has been untiring in his efforts to help us win out, putting in time at headquarters from eight in the morning to 12 at night and on July 15th, when the general office stopped his pay, he stayed on helping to fight No. 27's battle like a true union man, not even drawing strike benefits, which he was certainly entitled to.

As I am not up on press secretary's work, will close this letter, but will try to find who our press agent is, wind up his clock and learn why he does not attend to business better.

W. W. GILBERT,
Press Sec. Pro Tem.

Local Union No. 31.

Duluth, Aug. 2, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Having missed getting my last letter in on time I again make the attempt to write, hoping to reach you in time for print.

Well, Local 31 is rolling along slowly but surely, there being at present not much work in Duluth and vicinity, but just enough to keep all the brothers going.

The Elks' Carnival which was held at our sister town, Superior, Wis., during July, helped a great many of our brothers in the way of employment. Superior is all right but for one thing, and that is that she has

no local there, but we expect soon to be able to bring her into line.

This town a few weeks ago had the honor of having the Longshoremen's convention held here, and on the eve of July 13th with the Longshoremen heading the parade this city again showed its strength as a union town. Of course we were in line and if I do say it myself we took the prize, the papers speaking very highly of our appearance in the line. Each of us carried a bamboo cane, from the end of which sparkled an incandescent light, the current being supplied by a dynamo driven by a Williams gasoline motor which was mounted on a wagon, feed wires in the shape of lamp cord leading to each member. But the features which attracted most attention was our mascot dog, Beautiful Joe, as we call him, who had a collar of thirteen burning lamps circled around his neck and a fancy blanket upon which was the word "Mascot." Although professor and brother Higgins tried his best with his three cluster light consisting of red, white and blue lamps to catch the eyes of the pretty girls along the line of march, he certainly was not in it with the dog.

Since our last letter appeared in the Worker an election of officers took place with results as follows:

Pres.—E. Jennings.

Vice-Pres.—C. J. Rinn.

Fin. Sec. and Treas.—M. A. Hibbard.

Rec. Sec.—E. A. Nelson.

Sargent-at-Arms—Chas. McDonald.

Inspector—Frank Hallet.

Trustees—R. Jennings, Murdock McIver, Adolph Otto.

Delegates to Trades Assembly—E. J. Meagher, Chas. Rinn, Fred Fischer.

Delegates to Building Trades Council—C. Higgins, Chas. McDonald, Fred Hollands.

A. RICHTER,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 32.

Lima, O., Aug. 7, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As we have been organized here as a union for over two years and so far have not had the pleasure of seeing a report from our organization in the columns of your valuable paper, I will endeavor to give to you briefly a report of our progress here.

Local Union No. 32 has been organized for quite a while and is now in a very flourishing condition, embracing in its membership all the electricians and electrical workers in the city; and the brothers all take an active interest in the union and its possibilities for keeping up the standard among the brothers of our craft.

Electrical work has been very much on the increase here this summer and has now the appearance of a boom. The Lima Telephone Co. has just begun the con-

struction of its new underground system, which is of itself quite a large piece of work, and also the combination of The Lima Electric Light and Power Co. and The Lind Street Railway Co. under one management, which, together with the announcement of the managers of the new company that they intend to at once put in a complete and up-to-date equipment, gives promise of much activity in our line of business. I have no doubt but that brothers in good standing will find an opening here for work in the near future.

Hoping to be able to again make a report, I am,

Fraternally yours,

JACK NEFF,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 34.

Peoria, Ill., Aug. 7, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Well, as you didn't hear from 34 in the July Worker I will try and get one ready for this month, and as it is my first offense I hope you will pardon me, for I had a bad time the Fourth and, being hot, I must have drank so much soda water that I couldn't get my thinking cap in motion.

Well, laying all jokes aside, work is pretty much on the pork, so any brother wishing to change his summer residence had better steer clear of Peoria for the present.

As yet we have not succeeded in getting in an inside man and they don't seem anxious to make a start. You can't convince them that unionism is the stuff. The highest wages they receive is twelve dollars a week, and from that down to eight. Last night was meeting night and we took in one new member to help us on with our good work. There are three more to follow in his footsteps next meeting.

We elected new officers last month to take the places of those who have left us:

Pres.—N. De Worth.

F. S.—C. Brantt.

R. S.—C. Kettenring.

Foreman—J. J. McCarthy.

As this is about all I can think of this time, and being hot, I will cut it out.

Yours truly,
J. A. RUTHERFORD, P. S.

Local Union No. 38.

Cleveland, Aug. 8th, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

It is almost too hot to write a letter, but I am afraid if I don't I will get bail Columbia from some of the brothers.

Local 38 held its fifth annual outing at Ceauga lake on the 14th of last month, but I regret to say that we did not have as large a crowd as we expected. Some of the boys were unable to get off from their work and others, who might have gone, claimed they could not afford to lay off a day. Well, the picnic was held nevertheless.

less, and all had a good time. The boys had a ball game, and oh, such running you never saw. Bros. Wingate and Greenslade were the opposing pitchers and Bros. Bufington and Shourds the catchers. Bro. Ed. Mackey was the best batter and scored six home runs. Bro. Clark was struck out every time and never got to first base. Inventor Henry Viet, the volt meter man, was the noisest person on the earth; he went over to the village too often and—. There were a few others who played good ball and were quite conspicuous at Germantown. Sixteen prizes were given to winners in various races.

Bro. Ed. Mackey, who now represents our local at the B. T. C., is doing good work and we always get a good report from him. Bro. Clark was appointed marshal for our local on Labor Day and he will ride a horse, but the horse will have to be a gentle one or else I am afraid he may fall off. Labor Day will be a big day here and will wind up with a picnic at Scenic Park.

We received a letter from Local 41, of Buffalo, stating that those fellows who scabbed it here on the Empire theatre last fall are to be put on the carpet and show cause why they did so. We hope Local 41 will do its duty and deal with these men as they deserve.

Local 38 is doing fine; the meetings are well attended and are dismissed at a reasonable time. There are no more eleven and eleven-thirty o'clock meetings, every one can get home and be retired by that time.

Guess this will do for this time; its too hot to write more.

FRANK WAGENER,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 39.

Cleveland, O., August 9, 1900.
Editor Electrical Worker:

The picnic and outing given by No. 39 on July 21st was one of the finest of the season. The grounds of Scenic Park were well filled by the members, the friends of the members and their friends. The day was delightful, in fact it could not have been a finer day. The games attracted considerable attention. There were visitors from Nos. 56, 89, 14, 38 and 17. Bro. Sam Harris came from Pittsburgh to be with the boys of 39.

Bro. Robert Grey, of 56, Erie, was a very conspicuous figure with his track clothes on, but he had hard luck in throwing his shoe early in the races, pulled up lame and could not start in any of the fast events. He saved his entry fee in the 100 yard dash by getting inside of the distance flag. The fat man's race was one of the leading events. Bro. Sam Harris is somewhat of a sprinter, having run with the Martins' Hose Company of Jamestown, N. Y. Mr. Robert Ruttle, Supt. of cable department for the Cuyahoga Telephone Co., also

holds good recommendations as a 100 yards man from San Francisco. The writer can move along somewhat and entered the race. The favorites were Bascom, Pursell and Gleason. The judges decided it a dead heat between Bascom and Pursell with Gleason for second money. But after some talk with the judges it was decided to make the two prizes into one, which was acceptable to all. On the second get away, Bascom won. Time 14; pretty fare for 200 pound fixers. Peter Patricous Hovis, starter on this race, disqualified Gleason in the run off as he was chasing a bug in the German province. In the pole-climbing match, Walter F. Cooney was judge and his word went. Mart Durkin started the entries in this match. The contest was exciting and bids were plenty. Cooper of Atlanta, Ga., was a regular. Pittsburgh Phil had money to burn on every event, and the way he made large bets was astonishing. The winner, John Thomas, No. 39, made a remarkable and clean climb. The pole was 61 feet white cedar, and about 15 feet from the top it had a wind, which made the climb a little more difficult. The entries were as follows, with their time: John Thomas, 39, 27½ seconds; O'Donell, —, 22 seconds; B. Thomas, 39, 23 seconds; F. Nagle, 39, 23½ seconds. H. C. Lender, Ariz., 39; G. Dodge, 39.

Sam Harris made an exhibition climb, but on account of his hocks being dull he just made a few toothpicks. Geo. Gleason made an attempt to beat Cy Gechter's time, but he missed his hold on the stick and slipped but came close to the record. Walter F. Cooney made a trip up the pole but run out of wind before he got down.

The handline throwing was also exciting. The wire was 50 feet in the clear. The fixers had all kinds of practice for weeks and could throw the hand string on the work any old place, but they all fell down when they made the throws. Whether they were frightened or from the fact that every one was hollering for their favorite. The lucky one was Jim Sharp, "Sandy No. 2," member of the Electrical Helpers' Union 8437. He was the only one that touched the wire. The helpers then grabbed their member and carried him around on their shoulders, giving forth all kinds of vocal noise (grunts).

The ladies' race was quite a feature. It was a dead heat and had to be run over. The favorite was Miss Marie Lidenbauch. The other principal event was a base-ball game between the nines of fixers picked by Pete Hovis and A. V. McIntyre. The score stood a tie, 3 to 3, in the 6th inning, when McIntyre bet 10 to nothing with Cooper of Georgia that his team would win. The scheme worked all O. K., because his team scored two more runs before the bat was broken; so the game was decided in his favor.

The dancing was another feature. The electrical workers have the reputation of being good dancers the world over, and their reputation was maintained on July 21st. The Grand President dropped in on us to look the ground over. Well, he got all kinds of information in regard to building lines with or without poles or wires; in fact, the wireless system was in operation to perfection. Nick Tesla and Tom Edison were dead ones along with Cuspert and Termant. They carried off all the honors in that line. Tom Scott and Big Joe Cuddy, with their Chinese band captivated the ladies so strongly that Sam Harris and Jim Slattery were dead ones.

The crowds did not leave until the wee small hours in the morning, but everybody was satisfied because they were all treated right and all had a good time.

The committee was composed of: Hugh Murrin, chairman and treasurer; Geo. H. Gleason, Sec.; A. W. McIntyre, Walter Cooney, William Kurtz, Jim Slattery, Geo. Gleason, judges of contests; Peter Patricous Hovis, official starter; Joe Dooley, manager of dance hall; the whole local was a committee on reception and to see everybody had a good time.

Will tell more particulars about the good time we will have in Erie visiting No. 56 next month.

GEO. H. GLEASON.

Local Union No. 41.

Buffalo, N. Y., Aug. 1, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Kindly insert the following letter in the next issue of Electrical Worker:

The following officers were recently elected:

Pres.—John O'Connell.
Vice-Pres.—Clay Wicks.
Rec. Sec.—Lewis Wippermon.
Fin. Sec.—H. M. Scott, 646 Virginia St.
Treas.—Charles E. Taylor.
Press Sec.—I. T. Heinz.
Trustees—Thomas Hogan, Wm. Douglass, Wm. Shirk.
Inspectors—Joe Greiner, Edward R. Crimmins.

Foreman—Edward R. Griffith.
Delegates to United Building Trades and United Trades and Labor Council—Charles Taylor, F. H. Terry, Edward Crimmins.

We are pleased to say we have a satisfactory agreement with the contractors here. We are on a progressive basis, that is finding out what we are organized for, and how to place ourselves to best advantage.

Building is slack excepting Pan-American Exposition. We are not needing any men in Buffalo now, but may in the winter. We will let you know through the Worker. Our scale with contractors is \$2.50 per 8 hours to Oct. 1st; \$3.00 per 8 hours from Oct 1st.

Yours Truly,
I. T. HEINZ,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 42.

Utica, N. Y., Aug. 5, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Will you kindly give me space in the Worker to offer a suggestion to some of the press secretaries.

I see in almost every issue of the Worker that a great many of our press secretaries have something to say about the brother members drinking—such as this one or that one having a good time at some place with plenty to drink, or the good time had at some one's saloon, until one not acquainted with the men in the electrical business would think that about all they thought about was drink, and when, as often happens, some one in the discharge of his duty loses his life the first word you hear from outsiders is, "was he drunk?" Such questions being asked on account of their hearing men of the craft telling about the drinking abilities of one and another. I do not think any harm is meant, or do I mean to criticize any of our secretaries, far from it; but would it not be well to stop and think when one is about to describe some good time that a brother or a local has been having.

Hoping to hear from some of the brothers in reply to this, I am,

Fraternally yours,

W. B. McCOY.

Utica, N. Y., Aug. 7, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Our press secretary is too busy to write this month and asked me to write for him, so I will try and do the best I can.

Bro. Taylor got a bad fall last week; he is employed by the C. N. Y. Telephone Co. and was in a tree on State street cutting off a limb about six inches in diameter, when the limb shot back, striking him in the breast and knocking him from the tree. The fall was about 25 feet and he struck on his head and right shoulder on the sidewalk, cutting a gash in his head about six inches long and breaking his right shoulder and collar bone. Dr. J. D. Jones is attending him and he is getting along as good as could be expected. It will be six or seven weeks before he will be able to work.

Before I close, I would like to say a few words to some of our brothers who absent themselves from the meetings. It seems a shame that No. 42 can't get more than twelve or fourteen to attend meetings. Every brother should be there if possible and know what is going on. There is no excuse for anyone, except on account of sickness or being out of town. At the same time, you will see some of the brothers on meeting nights walking the streets and if you speak to them they will say, "I forgot all about it," or "I had another engagement." Both poor excuses. There is nothing of more importance to the union man than the meetings of the union, where

he can learn and find out everything that is going on without asking about it wherever they meet one of the brothers.

One word more before I close, would like to have all inside men keep away from Utica, as we have one firm that has been declared unfair and they are trying to get union men from out of town to work on unfair jobs by misrepresenting the case to them. So, brothers, keep away for awhile.

Yours fraternally,

W. B. M.

Local Union No. 44.

Rochester, N. Y., Aug. 6, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Everything seems to be the same in our ranks. The strike with Bell Tel. Co. is still on as hard as ever. The brothers are putting up a hard fight for the company. After having several conferences with a committee we decided not to accept the company's agreement. Once in a while a scab gets put in the clear; two of them were chased into a saloon the other night and were nearly drowned by the customers emptying the bottoms of their beer glasses on them. They were a picture when they got onto the street with a cop on each side of them. We have not had a man in our ranks turn traitor yet, and we never will have, if we have to declare it in the end a scab job and leave the town. We have got through using moral suasion; it is the strong arm that talks from now on.

We had a sad thing happen. Bro. Eugene Keefe went to Charlotte July 22d and remained all night with a friend by the name of T. Madden. They awoke at 4 a. m. Monday, and Bro. Keefe, in a spirit of bravado, started to climb a stepped pole 65 feet high. When on his way down he lost his footing and fell to the ground. Medical aid was quickly sent for and it was seen he was badly hurt. He was taken to St. Mary's Hospital and at 4 p. m. he passed away surrounded by his many friends. He was a single man, having one brother and one sister. The big daily papers got out extras and sent the newsboys crying through the streets "All About the Striking Lineman Getting Killed while Cutting the Bell Telephone Co.'s Wires!" They had columns printed giving us and him the worst of it, and at the coroner's inquest he was exonerated and it was proven he did not cut any wires and had no tools with him. Then our daily papers came out with a denial. Yes, they denied it, but how? In about ten lines of fine print; they did not print extras and notify the newsboys to shout it. Oh no, that is not the way they do business. All the use they have for a workingman is to buy the paper, and they keep on giving us the worst of it. Well, he had one of the largest funerals ever seen pass through the streets of Rochester, headed by Hebing's band.

It took the procession thirty minutes to pass a given point, and as the hearse passed through our ranks for the last time every eye in the parade was wet with tears; but as a looker-on said, "It is better to be a dead union man than a living scab," and he was right. Bro. Keefe was 27 years of age, weighing 230 pounds, and as fine a built man as ever walked the streets of Rochester. He was a hard-worker in the cause of organized labor, and a sober, industrious man, and it will be a long time before we get a brother to fill his place. Our charter was ordered draped in mourning for thirty days.

Bro. James Downs buried his wife after a long illness, leaving several small children. Bro. Willis buried his mother, aged 71. It is hard for us to part with friends so dear to us, but we must bow our heads in submission to the will of God.

We are initiating new members at every meeting and in the future 44 will be a pretty big bunch of members. We wish to thank Local 86 for the kindness shown us at Bro. Keefe's funeral, in helping to swell our ranks, and it will not soon be forgotten by the boys of Local 44.

Well, brothers, keep away from here for a while yet and we hope in the near future we will have the strike settled, and then there will be work for a great many of you.

W. J. CLARKE,
Press Sec.**Local Union No. 48.**

Richmond, Va., August 5, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Well, here she goes again. I guess you think old 48 has a short circuit; well, in fact, we have. It looked as if all the boys had lost their nerve and I thought we were going through but have better prospects now than ever before. We have elected new officers and they are the stuff. All the boys seem to be waking up now. Our president gave us a good talk and shook us up some. I think we will capture the town now as we have seen all the electrical workers and they seem to be in favor of it now. The foreman at the Bell Telephone Co. says all of his men have got to join and if we get them with a few others from the electric light company, "Mr. Nigger" will have to get a hop and do a cake walk; that is what I want to see. We can do it, and why not now? If every member would get together and give us a lift the pole will certainly be set. We have joined the Central Trades Labor Council and I think that will also help us a little.

Well, Labor Day will be here next month and our president wants the boys to turn out in the parade with all lamps trimmed and burning. Bro. Webber wants to turn out on a white donkey so he will win the prize. I think we can get an automobile for our president and Bro. Jackson will attend to the running part.

Everything is dull in the electrical line from what I can learn; we have one man out of work and I advise all floaters to keep away just now.

Bro. Winn, of Norfolk, is in town and is doing some good work toward getting us some new members. The following is the list of our officers:

Pres.—D. Eaton.

Vice-Pres.—W. L. Greenwood.

Rec. Sec.—F. A. Fry.

Fin. Sec. and Treas.—A. L. Puckett.

Foreman—J. W. Webber.

Inspectors—F. B. Jackson and H. T. Webber.

Yours fraternally,

STEW,

Rec. Sec.

Local Union No. 54.

Columbus, O., Aug. 4th, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

In my last letter I promised to discuss in the following one the status of the Columbus, O., municipal lighting controversy, briefly referred to therein. In compliance with said promise I desire to say that nothing in the nature of a definite conclusion or final settlement of that difficulty has yet been reached. I informed you in my last that the labor forces had secured the professional services of Ex-Attorney-General Monnett, of Ohio, to defend their side of the question. Since then a valuable addition to our legal force has been secured in the person of Judge David Pugh, one of the most earnest and fearless defenders of municipal ownership in the United States, whose magnificent work on the Municipal Code Commission of Ohio has earned for him the confidence of the many thousands favoring municipal ownership of public utilities. While we realize that the legal fight for the life of our municipal lighting plant will be attended with all the delays incident to litigation and courts, we have the consolation of knowing that our interests could not be in better hands than those of attorneys Monnett and Pugh.

I desire to state that about two years and one-half ago the people of Columbus, by an overwhelming majority, supported at the polls a proposition to issue bonds for the establishment of a municipal lighting plant, which would not only supply the city's light but permit of private individuals being furnished with lighting for domestic and commercial purposes at a reasonable cost. Through some manipulation or other a small plant was built by way of experiment, which said small plant supplied about one-quarter the number of arc lights necessary to light our streets and nothing more, the private company retaining the contract for the balance of the lighting. Through some inexplicable cause the experiment failed and the plant is now shut down. One excuse and another has been offered, such as deficiency

in appropriation, etc., etc., and the politicians have declared municipal ownership of a lighting plant a failure. Our efforts were first directed towards an attempt to prevent the shutting down of the plant by injunction proceedings, but our action was anticipated and we were therefore compelled to enter proceedings to have it reopened. The first step taken by our attorneys in this direction was the filing of a formal request wherein the director of law, Mr. Ira Crum, was notified as per statutes 1777 and 1778, to commence action in mandamus against Linas B. Kauffman, director of improvements, to compel said L. B. Kauffman to operate the Municipal Light Plant, and against the city to force the issuance of additional bonds to meet extra expenses thus incurred. This he, Director Crum, neglected to do when our attorneys, Monnett and Pugh, themselves instituted mandamus proceedings for Mr. Cherrington, president of the Citizens' League, in his relation as a tax-payer, to compel him, said Director Kauffman, to comply with their original request. They also attempted to institute injunction proceedings to prevent said director from increasing the amount of money being paid the Columbus Electric Company under their original lighting contract on the grounds that said contract was void and entered into by collusion and with a view to avoiding competition. In this, however, they were intercepted by the director of law, Mr. Ira Crum, who has filed suit to enjoin the director of public improvements from turning the Municipal Lighting Plant over to a board of trustees recently selected by the City Council to operate same, and another one seeking a mandatory injunction to compel the said director of public improvements to operate the plant. The fact that the director of public improvements waived service and entered his appearance shows conclusively that the suit was of a friendly nature and instituted by the director of law for the sole purpose of keeping all litigation relative to the Lighting Plant within the circle and under the control of the politicians who are responsible for its attempted destruction. They, you know, can then interrogate witnesses as they please and are not likely to elicit testimony damaging to themselves or their project and as they realized that litigation was inevitable they concluded the next best step would be to bring proceedings themselves.

In the trial of our mandamus suit we expect to prove that the Fort Wayne Electric Supply Co. entered a fake bid on the original contract under which the Columbus Electric Co. is now lighting the city, with a view to giving the said Columbus Co. a monopoly on said contract and that the said Fort Wayne Co. received a consideration for its part in the contract, amounting to thousands of dollars paid by way of excessive allowances for electric dynamos

and engines sold the Columbus Co. This is as far as the matter has gone. We will keep the electrical workers advised as to all future developments.

Our union takes special pains to recognize and patronize the union label. We never hesitate to encourage the sale of any product deserving special recognition on account of its manufacturers' fidelity to union principles. There is at present but one cash register in the whole world manufactured under conditions that entitle it to bear the union label. This is the Halwood Cash Register, and in recognition of this fact as well as with a view to encouraging all manufacturers to operate their plants under union conditions, our union has adopted the following resolutions which they instructed me to send you for publication:

Whereas, It is the aim and object of organized labor to promote the interests of any firm or corporation using the union label on its products (that being the only assurance we have that an article is union made) and

Whereas, There being one and only one cash register manufactured in the world which bears the union label; therefore be it

Resolved, By Electrical Workers' Union No. 54, of Columbus, O., that we endorse the action of the Halwood Cash Register Co. in using the union label, and be it

Resolved, That in appreciation of the action of this company we use our utmost endeavors as union men to further their interests amongst the merchants with whom we deal; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the Halwood Cash Register Co. and a copy be sent to the Electrical Worker for publication.

The Citizens' Telephone Co. here employed one non-union man recently in the capacity of cable splicer. On requesting his removal the management informed our grievance committee that they would discharge him if we got them a man to take his place, which we regarded as a very reasonable proposition and on which we will act in the very near future.

One of our best members, Bro. James Shea, has been very sick for the past three weeks. The boys have left nothing undone to promote his comfort and hasten his recovery. Bro. Shea was formerly a member of No. 56, Erie, Pa., and all the boys in that local and his many friends throughout the country will be very much gratified to learn that he is now almost well.

The Citizens' Telephone Co. has laid off 42 of our members who have now left the city in quest of employment. The United States Telephone Co. would do well to employ some of these men in preference to non-union men and scabs now working for them between here and Zanesville. Hoping that institution will soon learn to see

matters in the right light and unionize their work throughout, I remain,

Very fraternally yours,

A. T. WILLEY,

Press Agent.

P. S.—In my last letter, in mentioning the private lighting plant it calls the same a scab concern. It was an error and I wish to have it corrected. It should have read a non-union concern. Please correct this as we wish to put no concern in a bad light. I hope that this explanation will be perfectly satisfactory to all concerned.

A. T. W.

Local Union No. 55.

Des Moines, Ia., Aug. 7, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

It has fallen my duty once more to pen a few lines to the Worker in behalf of L. U. No. 55. I forward what little news I have. To begin with, things are moving along very nicely; we are having very good attendance at our meetings. We have selected our officers and I do not think 55 could have chosen a better lot. The following were elected:

Pres.—L. M. Stedman.

Vice-Pres.—N. Rosseau.

Rec. Sec.—C. J. Keller.

Fin. Sec.—Geo. Peters.

Treas.—Oliver Dean.

Press Sec.—James Martin.

We are still trying to induce our fellow workers to join us. The excuses they have to offer are too numerous to mention. We have the one that says he has so many expenses to meet this month that he will surely be with us next month, but it is the same old hot air that the brothers have heard month after month. I would rather have a man come out flat-footed and say he will not join our local. I certainly would have more respect for him.

This city is rapidly increasing in the matter of unions and union men. There have been a good many unions organized here the last month, so the trades assembly proposes to build a labor temple. The articles of incorporation of the Iowa Labor Temple Association were filed and the temple movement is now a thing of reality.

MARTIN.

Local Union No. 56.

Erie, Pa., August 5, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Yours received July 20th and we were glad to read the good and sorry to read the bad news. It found No. 56 all O. K., except a few of the boys who were suffering from the effects of the picnic. I was completely recovered as I did not get to the picnic until evening and the most of the excitement was over, although that didn't help my case much, for I was just as excited as if I had been to a circus all day. You see the day before the picnic I got called down and I was a little

nervous. Of course many a man gets called down, but in my case I was scared. Why, I believe he would have shot, because the third time, when he said "stop, and come down," he looked mad. So I dropped the trimmer and came down. It just makes the ink in this pen boil when I think of it, but I don't get so nervous now as there is a pretty good gang of us. There are Spreader Rube, the foreman and straw boss, besides myself, the horse, wagon and hired man.

Well, I started to tell you about the picnic. You see "The Splicer" and Bro. O'Connell got a circus or a part of a side show together in Cleveland. It consisted of one scenery bum and two wooden dolls about the size of a four-year old lineman. The master of the wooden dolls was a ventriloquist and the splicers' (O'Connell & Co.) show would have proven a howling success if it had not been for one of the wooden actors being overcome by the heat and some of the boys stole the head and feet off of the other one. Of course that broke up the show; then came the games, pole climbing, etc.

Pole climbing contest, 50 ft. pole—First prize, \$5.00, won by Sheun Hardin; second prize, 100 cigars, Harry Schwimmer; third prize, bicycle hose, Joe, the Splicer.

Rope throwing—First prize, \$5.00, won by John Mulheirn; second prize, pair connectors, Sheun Hardin.

Foot race, 100 yards dash—First prize, \$5.00, won by Frank Seiter; second prize, 100 cigars, Jas. Rieley; third prize, 50 cigars, Robert Gray.

Foot race, 50 yards dash—First prize, \$3.00 pipe, won by F. M. Seaman; second prize, 50 cigars, Robert Gray.

Prize waltz—Prize lady's and Gent's silk umbrellas, won by Miss Anderson and M. Dailly.

Two Step—Prize, pair dancing slippers and box of cigars, won by Miss Waldinger and Mr. Hainsworth.

After the games of the afternoon had all been decided and all was quiet, we moved up to the speakers' stand and were honored by the presence of Bros. G. P. Wheeler and G. S. Sherman, who made some very touching remarks on the labor question, which held the boys quiet for some time and cheered them up. The applause for the speakers was loud and often and the boys said they could stand a lot of that and told the speakers they had to stay over until our next meeting. But they thought they were needed up the line and had to arrange to move. So we all moved, and that's all.

I am the same thing.

R.

Local Union No. 58.

Niagara Falls, N. Y., July 15, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

This is the first time that I have had the honor to write you and I hope if you find

any flaws you will kindly excuse me and I will try and do better next time.

I will try and explain the happenings at our last meeting and the doings of some of our brothers. We had a nice attendance and I hope we will have just as good at the one coming. Some of the members of this local think that if they have a card that is all that is required of them. Now, brothers, I do not want to criticise any one, but I think if all of our members would attend more regularly and take more interest in the meetings it would benefit the local a great deal. While it is true we add a new light or two to the cluster each meeting night, still we do not get as many as we would like. There are some of the younger brothers in this local who think there is only one way to be hooked up, and that is in series. If any of the brothers would like any information on the subject, they had better consult Bro. Thos. LeVick, and I think he will explain the advantage of this connection.

Congratulations, Tommy!

Bros. Anderson, Fromert and Beardsley, our automobile experts, and a friend went out for a time last Sunday evening and put the machine on the bum. Bro. Anderson, we would like to know where you got your license? You auto-go and learn a few things about the machine before you try to tear up trolley tracks and knock down buildings. How much did your experience cost you, brothers?

At the last meeting the following officers were elected:

Pres.—W. Barber.

Vice-Pres.—O. W. McEwen.

Fin. Sec.—W. H. Peterkin.

Rec. Sec.—C. Miugan.

Press Sec.—Roy Robinson.

Treas.—W. Bean.

Inspectors—Geo. Beardsley, A. Lester.

Foreman—H. Shultz.

Now, Mr. Editor, I think I had better throw in the switch, close the circuit of my thoughts and say good-bye.

Fraternally yours,

ROY ROBINSON,

Press Sec.

Local Union No. 60.

San Antonio, Tex., Aug. 4, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

"Upward and onward" has been our slogan this last month, and I am exceedingly glad to say that it has been an unprecedented one in the annals of No. 60, both in the amount of work on hand and in the number of recruits we have enlisted in our ranks.

Both the old and new telephone companies are now in the midst of their work and the sight to be seen here every day would do your heart good. Imagine twenty-five or thirty spans of poles with a good union man on top of each one—that is a sight to be seen here every day, and

no matter in what direction you look you will see an aerialist up a pole.

While peacefully engaged at our last meeting, we were informed that a large gang of Boxers were going to invade our sacred temple, under the able direction of Bros. Admiral Wright, General Joseph Wellage and other high mucky-mucks. The International forces prepared to receive them; they came, they saw and were conquered, leaving their own disorganized force to join the International army. They are a splendid lot of fellows and gave us a fine exhibition of goat-riding, pole-climbing and cake-walking on our mats. They also brought word that another gang of Boxers would soon make a raid on us and our goat is in splendid shape and just spoiling for a tussle, so you may be sure that we are ready for them.

Among the many improvements that are to be inaugurated in our local is a general house-cleaning, which will begin at our next meeting and the way that some of the sleepers will be awakened will be an experience to them. We have already laid in a large supply of crape for their obsequies.

No. 60 is making lively preparations for Labor Day, which is to be celebrated in grand style with thirty-four unions in line, headed by No. 60 with a gorgeous new silk banner and badges. The celebration is to be held at San Pedro Springs and none but members of organized labor will address the gathering. Heretofore the smooth-talking politician has been in his glory at these celebrations, but oh, what a difference in the future. Labor unions throughout the state would do well to watch this town as they might be able to pick up a few pointers for the betterment of their own conditions. As union men of all trades are brothers here.

As we are having so much business on hand now we find it necessary to meet more often and a committee is now seeking ways and means therefor. We are also considering the advisability of raising the membership fee and the subject is now open for discussion.

Bro. Lovejoy has left us to accept a job at Waco and we thereby lost a splendid financial secretary. We commend Bro. Lovejoy to any union he may wish to deposit his card with as O. K. in all respects. Bro. McElroy will look after the finances for the balance of the term.

Bro. Gus Albrecht has left us for a tour of the west to be absent for a year. We trust that his trip may be all that he desires and commend him to all whom he may meet.

I regret very much to say that some of our brothers are showing violent symptoms of insanity, one in particular showing a strong desire to throw the press secretary through the window. His case is considered hopeless. The others have also taken

a deep interest in your poor scribe and, wishing to show their appreciation of him, laid for him the other night with the kind intention of presenting him with the contents of the forty-fifth volume of Mr. Colt's great work on homicide. A little bird told me of the good intentions regarding me and being naturally of a retiring disposition, I retired before they got a chance to carry out their benevolent intention. Should any of the others have in view a present for me, I will say that I am very fond of Mr. Homer's Iliad. But if I don't shut this off some of the brothers will be giving me the full benefit of Mr. Colt's Killiad.

Yours fraternally,
DUCKS.

Local Union No. 61.

Los Angeles, Cal., Aug. 8, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Our new treasurer, Bro. Edwards, had the misfortune to receive a severe shock while removing dead wire from a pole that burnt his nose and rendered him unconscious for some time. He fell across the wires, from which he was lowered to the ground without further injury. Bro. Edwards displayed great fortitude on gaining consciousness. He wished to return to work but was not allowed to do so.

Bro. Pidington has taken out a traveling card that I believe he will deposit in Local No. 18. We are very sorry to lose Bro. Pidington. He was foreman of the inside wiremen for Woodhill & Hulse, Electric Co., inc., and a good worker for the union.

If any of the brothers can furnish information of Bro. Cohen, formerly of Local Union No. 6, San Francisco, and later of Local Union No. 61, Los Angeles, Cal., will confer a favor by notifying No. 61. When last heard from he was going to Arizona.

Fraternally yours,
J. JACKSON,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 65.

Butte, Aug. 4, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

In the absence of the regular press secretary, I have been delegated to give our version of our present trouble with the Rocky Mountain Bell Telephone Co.

Five weeks ago we were favored by the advent of one J. H. R. Reed, who came from Milwaukee and went to work here for the Tel. Co. In due time he made application for admittance to our union and a regular investigating committee was appointed to pass on the merits of the applicant. This committee unanimously reported that Reed was ineligible for initiation into our local, as he was reported to be entirely incompetent as an electrical worker of any description. This report was sustained by all of the brothers who had worked with Reed or who had occasion

to review any of his work. On this showing our members rejected Reed and the 'phone company were requested to discharge him from their employ. This they refused and as a consequence all of the employees except hello girls were called out.

The response to the call was instant and on the 31st of July at 10 A. M. the Bell people hadn't an inside or outside man in Butte.

At the first the 'phone officials gave us every reason to believe that they would settle the difficulty at once if the union would guarantee that in the future we would not go out on strike for a similar reason without giving the company two weeks in which to replace an employee who was not desirable to the union.

At a special meeting called for the purpose this was agreed to by the union with the exception of a case where the workman in question had previously been a scab, in which case the company were to agree to immediately discharge the scab on the request of the union. To this the Bell people replied that they would require the union to concede them the right to pass on the eligibility of any of their employees as to admittance to the union.

Naturally the union rejected this proposal and there the matter stands at present. In connection with the strike there are three SCABS whose names should appear in the Worker. They are: Geo. A. Zoll, Geo. Pratt, and one other from Salt Lake whose name we have not yet learned, but who we will advertise in the next issue.

The animal Zoll is from Dillon, Mont., where he is local manager for the 'phone and Pratt is an ex-member of our local here and of late has been Bell manager at Anaconda, Mont.

Of the three scabs Pratt has become frightened and gone back to his home at Anaconda, but the viper Zoll still hangs out here and sneers at any mention of the union.

There are 18 of us who went out on strike and of this number Bros. Ed. Briggs, of Denver, Frank Hughes, of Detroit, and Ben Douglass, of Helena, have accepted good situations at different nearby cities, but the majority of the boys show an inclination to see the strike through.

The man Reed, over whom the trouble arose, has acted in a very manly way since the trouble began and walked out with the rest of us and refused to scab for the Rocky Mountain although requested to do so by their local manager.

All the actions of the telephone company would indicate a desire on their part to have their local manager elected as our president, so he could the better dictate what action the union should take in matters bearing on their employees.

This, of course, we do not intend to see take place.

WM. GITT,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 66.

Houston, Tex., July 6, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Local 66 had the misfortune of being shut out of your last issue, as Bro. Dodge left the city about the time an article should have been written to the Worker. Before proceeding further, I wish to thank the brothers of 66 for the confidence they have in my ability as a press secretary, certainly a case of misplaced confidence, but without more apologies I'll do my best to tell you how we are getting along in the Sunny South, where it has rained for two months every day.

No. 66 has had another strike and won it. On Monday, July 9th, fourteen operators were initiated in our union; on Tuesday two of them were discharged and the other twelve were notified unless they gave up their membership in the union they would also be discharged on August 1. Soon as this became known, applications were sent in by operators as fast as blanks could be secured. On Wednesday night 52 operators, 18 linemen and 12 grunts of the S. W. Tel. and Tel. Co. refused to be denied the right to organize.

We were only denied these rights for five days when the two operators who were discharged and all other employees resumed their respective positions.

Everything is moving along nicely and 66 has grown very rapidly. All of the Citizens Tel. Co. operators were initiated with the others.

Bro. Murray is improving very rapidly from the effects of getting short-circuted on a light pole.

The following officers were elected for ensuing term:

Pres.—Geo. Sehorn.

Vice.-Pres.—Miss Clara Bonatz.

Rec. Sec.—H. C. Brown.

Fin. Sec.—R. R. Tripp.

Press Sec.—C. T. McIntyre.

Treas.—C. R. George.

Inspt.—A. T. Cassell and A. T. Thompson.

Foreman.—M. G. Houston.

Trustees—H. C. Brown and A. L. Bryant.

Guy Taylor and William Brown blew in to do work during our trouble but they found more trouble than they anticipated, one of the would-be linemen having to go to the hospital for repairs. The other has moved to some other town than Houston. Keep your eyes open for the aforesaid and I am sure when you meet them you will extend a very cordial reception.

No. 66 meets every 1st and 3rd Monday evening and 2nd and 4th Sunday afternoon in Odd Fellows' Hall.

Being an apprentice at this work, I'll say no more.

Yours Fraternally,
C. T. M'INTYRE.
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 67.

Quincy, Ill., Aug. 1, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As I am doomed to roam, and this will be my last letter to the Worker, I will try and let out the hot air I have got left on hand, so I will start off by advising all brothers to stay away from this place, as there is no work here. The Light Co. let out the gang they were working last week, foreman and all, and the Telephone gang has left here for Gillman, Ill., so I came to the conclusion I would rusticate up in the country awhile before I come east, as I think side-door sleepers are rather warm at present writing.

I must inform you that we are going to put on lots of airs in this old town. Last week the Trades and Labor Assembly met and appointed a new committee to solicit funds to build a labor temple. The Labor Temple Fund is gradually growing. It is placed in bank at interest as soon as received, and can not be used for other purposes than the one to which donated. It is the purpose of the new committee to look around and secure an option on a site for the temple. This they find to be necessary, as some of the unions are withholding their financial support of the project until they know where the temple is to be built. The committee do not anticipate any trouble in securing an option on a suitable site, and the Labor Day picnic committee met Thursday night and selected a program for that event. A wedding will probably be one of the features of the day, so, brothers, if you are matrimonially inclined and can not get a girl where you are, just come to this burg and we will get you a partner and hook you up at our picnic, and throw in a present, also. We are hot stuff in this place, and don't forget it.

Well, it is getting late and I will have to cut this light out. I came near forgetting to mention we lost a worthy brother since I wrote last. Bro. Cal Ford has left us for parts unknown. Look out for him, brothers, and give him the glad hand, as no truer or better union man ever lived, and a friend to a brother always, but death to scabs; and Bro. Simmons is up at Chicago with the Naval Reserves, breaking the girls' hearts in that neck of the woods.

The fuse is blown and left me in the dark, so will quit for this time.

Yours fraternally,
FRANK HICKMAN,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 72.

Waco, Tex., July 28, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As I have been elected to fill the office

of P. S., I will try and put in my little bit for this month to let the brothers know that we are still doing business at the same old stand, Labor Hall, and have a few vacant chairs left.

Work is slack here now, although the So. W. Tel. and Tel. Co. have two gangs here preparing to move the Exchange. The city gang, and in fact the whole maintenance department in Waco are being cut down; several of the boys are idle. The Independent is doing nothing.

Bro. Harvey Hobson received the appointment of underwriters' inspector, of which we are proud, and he "ain't doing a thing" to all inside work if it is not done "according to Hoyle." Waco Electrical Supply Co. is working four or five extra men now. Brothers, if your card is not up to date you might as well drift further, as it takes the blue label to screw knobs in this burg. We are growing—some new members every night or so. Bro. Hobson is rubbing the goat down now for next meeting, as he has a hard job. He is a "bucker;" it just takes six men to handle him, while the rest sit off and laugh while Bro. Insley puts the corn cob under his tail.

We are glad the Houston brothers and sisters won out. Success to the new branch of our grand Order.

LOST, STRAYED OR STOLEN.

Several members of L. U. No. 72 in or near the city of Waco, Tex. Finder will please tie a tag on them and send them to Labor Hall every second and fourth Wednesday nights in each month. I know it is hot weather, but we have a four-gallon water cooler filled with ice water, also plenty of cups. The custodian of the hall says he can get some more chairs for us without any additional cost, so come out and let's make the old man sweat carrying chairs. Quit holding meetings on the streets and in saloons. We pay rent on a hall for that purpose. It disgusts everybody in hearing of you when you are "blowing off." If things don't go to suit you, come to the meetings and help us to do things right.

Glad to see "Old Crip" in such good spirits. Stay with them, old boy, and you will get to use pike poles to push yourself along yet.

My pencil is running a hot box, so I must stop and let it cool off. C. F. M., P. S.

Local Union No. 73.

Spokane, Wash., Aug. 1, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

This is the first time I have had the honor of writing to you and if you find any mistakes please excuse same.

I wish to let the brothers know that No. 73 is O. K. We have come to the point where we think that a man should receive a little more pay than just enough to live on. Our members of the electric light gang are going to ask for an advance of 25

cents per day and one hour less in the day, while the telephone boys can only make a request of their managers for the same, as they would have no show without the support of Tacoma, Seattle and San Francisco at least, which I am sure we can have. The time has arrived when electrical workers should combine themselves as closely together as a piece of welded steel. The girls of our telephone offices receive small pay which we must try and get raised, which can be done by combining together. It makes our heart leap with joy to hear the stand that the Seattle operators are making and hope with a little encouragement the Spokane girls will do the same. Our inside men of all companies, we must say, are men true as steel, firm of foot, and a better lot of men were never combined together than those of Local No. 73. It is not man for man, but all together, as it should be. At a special meeting last Monday night there were a few of the boys who had considerable trouble with a doll that happened to be in attendance. They are composed mostly of single men, which makes things look as if they were rehearsing. Our silent member, whose name I will not mention, is known by every lineman that ever came our way and has just as much trouble to look after as ever and a good word for all.

No. 73 gave a smoker about four months ago which opened the eyes of about 15 men, who came into the union as soon as possible, saying they were very sorry they did not come in sooner.

The time has arrived when we must try and break up managers' incubators which turn out too many N. G. men. There are enough men in our unions of skilled experience to do all of the work there is to do, and the sooner we keep out apprentices and incompetent men the sooner we will be getting right money and short hours for our labor. At the present scale of wages for electrical workers we can never have a nest egg for a rainy day. I might have a little more news next time as there is a special meeting to-night of great importance which I could not attend owing to sickness at home.

I will close for this time hoping you will please excuse this, my first effort at anything of this kind.

Remaining yours truly,
E. A. ROSS,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 77.

Seattle, Wash., July 9, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Having been installed as P. S. by Local No. 77, I will make an attempt to let the boys know how we are getting on. The Nome rush has not taken many away, still we have lost a few energetic brothers and last week we lost Bro. Alexander, our re-elected financial secretary, he having se-

cured a better position somewhere in Montana. It is a loss of a very able brother and efficient officer, and we know that some other local will be the gainer by his association. The following officers were installed at our meeting the evening of the 7th:

President—C. A. Eaton.
V.-Pres.—Samuel Weipert.
Fin. Sec.—G. G. Jenkins.
Rec. Sec.—George R. Cooley.
Press Sec.—S. H. Metcalf.
Foreman—Ross McKay.
Ins.—John McNeil.
Trustees—J. Maitland, J. Augutter.

Two new brothers were initiated, and we are steadily growing every meeting, and all the brothers are at work, even though work is somewhat slowing down; some of the boys are out on country jobs.

The "Hello girls" here have organized and affiliated with the Western Central Labor Union. The managers of the Tel. Co., on finding this out, immediately discharged the prominent ones, and on refusal to reinstate them every operator to a man (girl) pulled off her cuffs and attempted to walk out, but with some resistance, as the manager attempted to block the door; but to no avail, as sixty girls are too much for one manager. The Tel. system was of course paralyzed, but at the present writing they have brought in girls from neighboring cities. The girls have a committee on duty patrolling in front of the office and are doing good work. They made no demands only to reinstate the discharged sisters, but their object in organizing was to shorten hours and increase pay. As this is the main object of organized labor I think all should sympathize with them and lend a helping hand. At one of their meetings they asked our local to send a committee to confer with them, which was done. The committee consisted of Eaton, Randall and Stull. All brothers are in good health at present writing.

Yours fraternally,
S. H. METCALF,
Press. Sec.

Local Union No. 79.

Syracuse, N. Y., Aug. 4, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As you received no letter from No. 79 last month, I thought I would drop you a few lines just to tell you we are all O. K. and every brother working. Election and installation of a new set of officers has just ended and below you will see the choice of Local 79:

Pres.—Chas. Tyrell.
Vice-Pres.—Samuel Young.
Press Sec.—L. J. Crouch.
Trustee—D. Cambridge.
1st Inspector—E. Gyatt.
2d Inspector—Chas. Brand.
Rec. Sec.—Thos. Sullivan.
Fin. Sec.—Wm. Haley.

Foreman—Chas. Clark.

At our last meeting we took in two new brothers, John Barrett and E. Fleming. Next meeting we have seven more to place on the roll-call, so you see, brothers, the City of Salt is coming to the front as a strong union town. Thanks be to Bro. Dan Cambridge for his untiring efforts. The C. N. Y. Tel. and Telegraph added 25c. more a day to their men—some more of Bro. Dan's work. I understand Bro. Chas. Flood has resigned his position as general foreman of the new telephone company. They are not working so large a force just now. Gen'l Foreman C. K. Forte, of the C. N. Y., has a large force putting up new cables and bettering their entire system. They are about to lay more subways, and I can frankly say, when completed, will have one of the most modern telephone exchanges in the country. The motto of Gen'l Manager Girvan is, "Good work, good service and fair prices," and I am sure he will win. We are putting in new 'phones every day and have two gangs on the toll lines, Bro. John Welch and your humble servant.

Boys, for the benefit of one of the brothers of 44, I enclose my last, entitled, "A Lineman's Dream."

Last evening I was talking
With a lineman old and gray,
Who told me of a dream he had,
I think 'twas yesterday.

While gazing on a ten-pin
The vision came to view,
For he saw an angel coming
Dressed in garments white and new.

Said the angel, "I'm from Heaven."
"The Lord just sent me down
To bring you up to glory
And put on your golden crown.

"You've been a friend to our union,
And worked hard night and day;
And tacked on lots of ten-pins.
Now you must have your pay.

"So we want you up in glory,
For you have labored hard,
And the good Lord is preparing
Your eternal, just reward."

Then the angel and the lineman
Started up toward Glory gate,
But when passing close to Hades
The angel murmured, "Wait.

"I have a place to show you;
It's the hottest place in Hell,
Where those who scabbed in Rochester
In torment always dwell."

And behold! the lineman saw there
Just one, behind the door;
And grabbing up a chair and fan
He wished for nothing more,

But was bound to sit and watch them
As they sizzle, singe and burn,

And his eyes would rest on that pool
scab,
Whichever way they'd turn.
Said the angel, "Come on, lineman,
There are the pearly gates, I see."
But the lineman only murmured,
"This is Heaven enough for me."

P. S.—And I don't see his name in the
scab list, either. Yours very truly.

L. J. CROUCH,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 80.

Norfolk, Va., Aug. 3, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Well, as no letter appeared in last month's Worker from Local No. 80, I guess I must try to let the brothers know that we are still alive and moving along slowly but surely. Everyone is working and no kicks coming in. Bro. Schaffner is about finishing up the work for the Bell Tel. Co. in Portsmouth. Bro. Schaffner certainly knows how to handle the non-union men; he soon lets them know if they want to work for him they must have a card. We are expecting a great time here Labor Day and hope that we may have one of the grand officers with us. I think it will help our cause along a great deal. We have on our Labor Day Committee Bros. Frayser and Breedlove, so we may expect a good time. I think if all the boys will turn out we may make a good showing.

We added several new members to our list last month, but there are still some good men out that should by all means be with the boys. We have a great deal of trouble here getting our boys to attend meetings regularly. They offer all kinds of excuses. I think the trouble is that most of our members are great ladies' men and Friday night is on night with them. Cut it out, boys, and attend the meetings. The So. States Tel. Co. continues to work a gang of "smokys" on the poles. The Bell Co. has gotten rid of all they had and the foreman promises to work them no more. I think their days are numbered as linemen in this section.

The following is a list of officers of Local No. 80:

Pres.—L. G. Fowler.
Vice-Pres.—W. A. Alley.
Fin. Sec.—B. F. Haines.
Rec. Sec.—C. H. Boush.
Foreman—W. M. Burke.
Inspectors—P. Highland and J. M. Goodwin.

Very truly yours,

A. L. WINN,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 82.

Buffalo, N. Y., Aug. 7, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Owing to the unusual crop of hay in the streets of the "Parlor City," I will have to

jot down my farewell letter to Local 82 and shipmates of the "Horsehide" from a more prosperous cruising ground. I cleared for this port at midnight on the 4th, with a favorable wind, on the Erie railroad. Spent Sunday at Niagara Falls and anchored here about ready to drop Sunday night.

Alas! I heard distressing news of the crew of the ancient "Horsehide" just before I left. Rumor had it that Rave was trying to recruit a crew for the old craft and going to fight the battles of Uncle Sam in the realms of the pig-tailed laundrymen. I heard the crew lacked only one man to be captain of the fighting top on the brick smokestack. Some said Gib refused the job because Rave wanted him to stay at his post when the stack was dashed over the side on the enemy's decks, to repel boarders. Gib, it is said, agreed that the only way he knew to deal with boarders was to have handy loads of sandwiches, pie, fried cakes, etc., and fire broadside after broadside until they dropped dead with gout.

Coon, I heard, remonstrated, and said, "G'wan, Gib; don't you know them ain't the boarders like Ingalls? They come with cutlass and hatchet and all kinds of carpenter tools at ye." Gib replied, "Well, boarders is boarders, and we kept 'em for fourteen years, an' I know no boarder will leave any tools where I am." So that settled it with the "Horsehide" for the present.

Now, to give 82 some information about this place, I will say that the condition of the workingman in this city reflects great credit on the union men here. No better condition ever prevailed for a big boom to trades than this Exposition furnishes here at present. Buffalo citizens' interests are properly guarded, but no selfish or jealous attitude is borne toward anyone.

I found the members of 41 a cordial lot of fellows. The aim here is to keep the trade up to a good standard. Study costs little besides time, and we all have enough of that to improve a little on. Sometimes it looks as if the trusts will gobble up about everything in sight, but all we can do is vote right and use our influence for others to do so. It seems to me we all ought to have our eyes open now for the coming election. But still more important are the elections of aldermen and other city and State officers. To these we look for our municipal ownership if we are ever to have it.

Must close now, with best wishes to all of 82.

E. M. CRAWFORD.

Local Union No. 84.

Atlanta, Ga., July 1, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As this is my maiden effort at writing for your valuable paper, I trust you will

pardon any mistakes you may find in my letter.

Well, old 84 is still on top, though through an unavoidable circumstance we were unable to get our letter in time for your last month's paper. We are having good meetings, with plenty of interest and well attended. We held our election of officers for the next term, which resulted as follows:

Pres.—A. L. Skaats.
Vice-Pres.—J. W. Walker.
Treas.—Lon Brooks.
Trustee—W. M. Cheshire.
Fin. Sec.—B. L. Martin.
Rec. Sec.—J. E. Casey.
Foreman—T. A. Patillo.
Inspectors—C. A. Barnes, H. South.

I think No. 84 has a competent set of officers. The boys all seem to be getting along very well, there is plenty of work and the boys are on the go. There are a lot of our wood workers scattered all over the forest taking in all good gains that happen to fall in their paths. I find no mechanic who is any good out of employment just now—so much for the electrical workers, and when it comes to hustling you can just bet your rusty dollar that the boys of No. 84 are always there. They travel all over the district and when they strike a town without a local it is not long until they are organized. Just now I would like to say that I am afraid the average workingman does not take the interest in his own and his fellow man's cause that he should. Did you, my fellow workman, ever think about it that our labor is the only thing on the market which the owner has no power to set a price upon? The combined trust places the necessities of life, you must pay their price or go without. You pay their price for all that you eat and wear. They even set the price we are to get for our products before they are cultivated and gathered; then when the laboring men, the honest sons of toil, place their skill and brain and muscle on the market after having complied with all of their demands and hellish greed, we have to take the pittance they offer us without even saying that we think our labor is worth more. Is this right? Shall we go on and submit to it the remainder of our lives? I say no! Then what shall we do to bring the change that we need? I say organize. If you are not a union man, get into a union. If you are a true union man you are a true man in every way, true to yourself, true to your fellow man, and true to the man who has you employed. I demand nothing but what is right and just and use every effort to have justice done to you. Conduct yourselves in a way that will command respect, and when we have done this we will not only be better satisfied but our employers will be better satisfied and will not try to take advantage of us. Let us ever

be careful, remembering the old proverb, "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you." May the brothers all work for the same cause, using every effort to advance the interest of our noble Order, never forgetting their duty to themselves and their fellow men; and when justice, which should be every man's commander, calls us to duty, let it find us all as one, with our shoulders to the wheel to launch her out to the tide of prosperity. This will bring happiness and peace to our loved ones around us and our homes.

W. R. JOHNSON,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 88.

Savannah, Ga., July 6, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

We are somewhat late this month, owing to our annual election of officers, which resulted as follows:

President—J. G. Butler.

Vice-Pres.—H. H. Hamilton.

R. S.—J. W. Evans.

F. S.—E. J. McDonell.

Press Sec.—H. H. Burt.

Foreman—C. F. Stephenson.

Inspectors—W. E. Cramer, W. H. Smith.

Trustees—T. W. Judson, I. O. Yutsey, W. E. Cramer.

News in the trade is somewhat quiet just now. The Bell's construction gang, that union gang, under the efficient foremanship of genial Capt. Owens, is stretching cable here, therefore we have a few visiting brothers with us. Bro. J. W. Evans, who does not need an introduction to the Brotherhood, has deposited his card with us, and Doc. Wilson, P. Carroll, H. E. Lingle, D. Minor, R. M. Dunn, M. E. Brown and J. M. Hamilton compose our list of welcome visiting brothers. A lot of O. K. splicers they are, too. More next time.

Very respectfully,

H. H. BURT,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 90.

New Haven, Conn., Aug. 5, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Another month has gone and again the press secretary is called upon to get his pen in motion and inform the Brotherhood of the condition of the trade in his section and incidentally to remind the brothers of their obligation to their locals, which they promised to be ever faithful. When writing my last letter to the Worker I was of the opinion that all the difficulties between the brothers and their employers had been amicably settled, but judge of my surprise a few days later when I learned of an assessment being levied to reimburse the treasury, which had been almost wiped out by the demands made upon it to furnish aid to locals whose members are now fighting the battles of their brethren all over the country in defense of the principles for

which the Brotherhood was instituted. Brothers, now that you are forced to fight, do not show the white flag until all hope of victory has left you, and I am sure the I. B. E. W. will not forsake you. Local No. 90 will gladly furnish its share toward your support. It is composed of open-hearted, liberal men, who will not shirk their duty when the welfare of the Brotherhood is in jeopardy.

We are satisfied that Local 134 will add great strength to the I. B. E. W., but we cannot see where a contract is necessary if they are to be governed by our constitution, nor do we consider it just for any local to have the power to shut a member of another local out because he did not pay as high an initiation fee; when they do that they violate the pledge they made to aid and assist a brother in need. Is that the way to aid him—to deprive him of earning his living when he cannot come up with his \$40 or \$45, the difference in what they asked and what he paid? There is nothing to prevent those high-priced members from entering into the territory of the cheap man and again robbing him of his living by lessening his days of labor, and when work gets good again in his (the dear man's) district, go back. But he says to the cheap man, "You can't work here until you put up the dust," as in the case of men from No. 3 of New York and No. 15. The sooner the constitution is amended to remedy this evil the better it will be for the Brotherhood.

Brothers, I regret the sad accident that befel two of our brothers recently. It has cast a gloom over the members of this local. Bro. Michael Kiernan, in jumping off a trolley car while it was in motion, on July 29th, fell to the street and a trailer passed over his arm and crushed it badly. He was taken to the hospital, and at this writing the attending physician is in hopes of saving his arm. Bro. John Reidrich, while working with the New Haven Electric Light Co., fell and fractured his left arm and sprained his right wrist. He is recovering fast and expects to resume work in a week or two.

Let us hope the brothers will not get discouraged because they may be called upon to keep the treasury up to the safety mark. It is gratifying to know that whatever favor we bestow on a brother or his family will be a benefaction, and that we are always willing to make good our promise made to a brother when we asked him to march in our ranks. Now, brothers, come up to the financial secretary's desk and see how you stand on the books, or consult your membership card and do not allow yourselves to get in arrears, for we know not when our turn may come to need assistance.

We wish our Derby brothers would devise some way whereby one of their number could attend our meetings at least

once a month; by so doing they will learn more about the doings of the local and become better acquainted with their brothers in the City of Elms. We have a few brothers in other cities whom we wish to keep track of—Bro. Moran in Holyoke and Bro. Pirott in Brooklyn. If ye happen to read the Worker, remember go and let us know how ye are getting along. Good luck to ye. Brothers, hope ye have got on stripes by this time. I wish to ask Bro. Sherman to be liberal with the Workers. They are eagerly sought by those outside of the Brotherhood, and by having a few to spare and hand around we might get them interested and get a few subscribers, if not members.

Has No. 11 gone to China, or has Waterbury been destroyed by an earthquake? One would naturally suppose that a city of brass would have better staying qualities; but then, No. 11 may have the laugh on us. Who knows but their employers have sent them to the seashore on a vacation and are paying their expenses, with a bathing suit thrown in.

Work is good in this section just now. We had several brothers from the South and West lately, but the Sound breeze did not seem to agree with them and they would not stay long enough to get acclimated, or they might not like the Yankee hospitality. We were sorry to lose them and hope to hear from them through the Worker later on.

With best wishes to all the brothers, I remain,

Yours fraternally,

F. J. HORAN,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 93.

Ottawa, Ont., Aug. 4, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

No doubt you think the brothers of 93 were roasted in the big fire, but we are kicking as yet and trying to keep on top. I suppose you all heard of the lock out 93 had: well, it was serious in one way. The would-be brothers that transacted business kept the boys in ignorance of the help that was given us, therefore the hot-headed leaders, by a vote of 2, went back and spoiled all. We have a few good lamps in our circuits and a few poor ones, that is to say they show up well at first but have poor fulfillments as in all cases you know.

Work is pretty good in Ottawa, especially inside work, but as 93 has not been long on the road pay is very light. We are trying to get them all on the right track for more pay and as soon as we get strong enough we are bound to have it.

We had bad luck in losing Bro. F. Empley, who was roasted on a 2,000-volt circuit in Hull, Ont., about a month ago. He leaves a wife and nine children, who we are all in sympathy with. As I have not been here long I will not try to tell

you anything more of the past, only that I got nine jobs within twenty-four hours after I struck town, rewiring buildings. Wishing you all success, I beg to remain,

L. R. M'DONALD,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 96.

Worcester, Mass., Aug. 3, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Just a line on Local number 96. We are at present flourishing under a heavy handicap caused by applicants outnumbering the application blanks on hand; however, we accommodate them all and we are initiating from four to eight men each regular meeting night and it has been necessary to call two special meetings to initiate the linemen from suburban towns and floating construction men.

Yours respectfully,
J. C. MCCARTHY,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 98.

Philadelphia, Aug. 8, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

The condition of the electrical trade in Philadelphia, within the last few weeks, changed greatly for the better, and fewer men are out of employment to-day than one month ago. What threatened to be a dull building year, partially on account of the presidential campaign and largely because of the recent series of strikes, now gives promise of being busy up until its close.

The return of the wonted activity has had an inspiring effect and the men are happier. We are now going along nicely, the wrinkles are smoothed out and it is expected that cooler weather will bring well attended meetings. It is not to be inferred that we have had slim attendances, far from it, but to sit in shirt sleeves, panting for air, and reeking with perspiration is not the most comfortable circumstances under which to conduct business. Many of the members coming up and staying just long enough to pay dues, catch a word or two of what is going on and then asking to be excused, or moving for adjournment.

Many contractors are now sending direct to the headquarters of the Allied Council for men instead of advertising in the newspapers and the business agent is daily in receipt of inquiries of wiremen and helpers. It is therefore admissible that all members provide themselves with the current quarterly working card and a paid up membership card, so that the business agent will have the material at hand when called upon to furnish men for any job.

There seems to be a growing friendly feeling between the contractors and the union men and it rarely happens that the business agent is not received with becoming courtesy.

The assessment levied by the International Ex. Board should be paid at once, the I. E. B. has done nobly by the local and it is to be hoped that members will not be slow in acknowledging their obligation.

The Free Library of Economics in Philadelphia has made an offer through its board of directors to the Council of the Allied Building Trades of Philadelphia and vicinity to relinquish to the latter body the management of the library for one year. This is a golden opportunity for the Allied to grasp as it means a nucleus around which a free workingman's library and club can be established. It is of distinct advantage in that it gives the workingman the needed opportunity to fit himself for the inevitable revolution of existing customs and institutions, and education in the most vital questions of the day, a preparation for the realization of a practical socialism.

The library at present embraces over a thousand volumes by the best writers and most advanced thinkers, together with 2,000 pamphlets issued by unions all over the world and 96 labor journals, etc. Also a subscription list of about \$200 a year.

The present management of the library feels that while it has accomplished much good it still has not had the patronage expected, and in the hope that a greater number of workingmen would be induced to read, if the books were placed in a more advantageous and accessible location, the above offer was made.

Since our last letter to the Worker, there has passed from the scene of his labors, one of the most indefatigable, yet unobtrusive labor champions that this country has ever known. Geo. Chance, modest and unassuming, without a striking personality, a man whom one would meet and pass on the street a hundred times without suspecting the force and greatness of the man, was a member of Typographical Union No. 2 of which he was president for over five years. Also member of Allied Printing Trades Council. He was temporary chairman of the annual convention of the American Federation of Labor held in Philadelphia in 1892. He served as delegate to represent the Labor League at the Federation's Detroit Convention last December, and was chairman of the Legislative Committee having in charge such measures as the eight-hour law and the Bi-monthly pay-Bill.

He has always manifested the greatest interest in all labor matters and many times to his own detriment. He has never refused to lend a hand in the organization of trades unions, nor to make a speech of encouragement or advice when compliance was possible. He has latterly conducted a little printing shop on the third floor of an old building on Thirteenth street, as unprepossessing as its tenant. Geo. Chance

never played for effect, never sought encomium, and never coveted preferment. Every laboring man knew him and had a nod or a smile or a handshake for the rough diamond.

Fraternally,
CHAS. SID. ANDRES
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 99.

Providence, R. I., Aug. 5, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As I did not get a letter in last month's Worker and as I was very politely asked "why not?" I will see what I can do this time.

There is not very much in this locality to write about that I can think of only that the condition of work here is very much the same as at the time of my last letter, two months ago. Every one working and I understand the Union R. R. Co. is in want of men.

Well, Mr. Editor, I think I will have to resign this letter writing in favor of some more competent man than myself, as I think I make a dismal failure of it and our local contains lots of good talent.

Speaking of our local, I will say a few words in regard to it. In the first place, we had a very hard rub for an existence. Out of the charter members, four dropped out, so you can see what good union men they were, but luckily we got in enough good members to take their places and at that we struggled along for about three months before we got a new start, but now we have got them coming in bunches and hope to keep them coming the same way.

At our last meeting Bro. H. C. Riley requested me to say through your valuable paper that he would like to hear from some of the brothers of No. 27, of Baltimore. His address is H. C. Riley, 123 East st., Pawtucket, R. I.

I will close this bluff and you will probably have more interesting reading in the next issue as I resign tomorrow night.

Fraternally yours,
W. E. SEDGLEY,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 101.

Brockton, Mass., August, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

It has been so long since Local 101, of Brockton, has been heard from in the Worker that we are ashamed to tell people that we exist, but nevertheless we do and must be counted alive. We hold some lively debates at our meetings, which makes it very interesting and receive a visit from a representative of organized labor occasionally. We are about to be affiliated with the Massachusetts state branch of American Federation of Labor, but, brothers, don't expect too much of us at present. Wait until we get that smoke

talk we are anticipating. The committee is a little slow but when it comes I expect it will be warm. The air will be full of transpositions for awhile.

Linework in Brockton and vicinity appears to be plenty at present and any brother with the required stamps calling our way will receive a cordial welcome and possibly a job with fairly good, medium, middle sized wages. Now, brothers, don't criticise my first attempt too much as I am only a pole climber, but pay up your dues more promptly and you will be on better terms with the F. S.

We elected officers the past month, which are the following:

Pres.—John McNeil.

V.-Pres.—Herbert Booker.

Rec. Sec.—Marshall Stevens.

Fin. Sec.—Chas. Wilbar.

Treas.—Alex. Scott.

Foreman—Chas. Cobb.

Press Sec.—Chas. Wilbar.

Thanking you, Mr. Editor, for space and time shown, I remain,

Faternally yours,

C. A. WILBAR,

Press Sec.

Local Union No. 102.

Newark, N. J., August 4, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Kindly allow me to bother you for a few minutes with a note concerning our local, No. 102. According to Bro. McPherson's letter of last month, which was correct in every particular and should be studied by all our brothers, our meetings of late have been nothing but confusion and disorder and I only wish we were all like Mac, who is a hard and conscientious worker. But now I think things will change as we have elected a new board of officers who, I think, are all good workers:

Pres.—A. B. McPherson.

V.-Pres.—E. J. Clancy.

Rec. Sec.—F. B. Sweeney.

Fin. Sec.—Jno. Eldridge.

1st Inspector—Thos. Fisher.

2nd Inspector—Booney O'Rourke.

Foreman—Jno. Collins.

Trustee—C. A. Hardy.

We put three new lambs into our fold last meeting and expect as many more next meeting. There are some applications in and passed upon, but the applicants have not as yet put in an appearance for initiation. I think it would be a good idea for the brothers who vouched for them to kind of jack up their memories. There seems to be a lot of work in and around this vicinity.

Hoping that the I. B. E. W. increases as rapidly in future as it has in the late past, I remain, for the present,

Faternally,

F. B. SWEENEY,

Press Sec.

Local Union No. 104.

Boston, Mass., Aug. 3, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

I have the pleasure to announce that we have initiated 4 or 5 new members since my last letter. Good men, too.

The Mass. Tel. & Tel. Co. has been granted a permit to run its lines on some of the streets of Boston on certain conditions. These conditions include the hiring of union employees, with union wages and hours. This is only one of the indications of the far-reaching influence of our organization. In view of this fact, it is almost incredible that many of the foremen of the different companies are non-union men. Why this is so is difficult to understand. The foreman should be alive to anything that tends to the welfare of the lineman; he should be alive to his own interests; and all these things are attained in the surest and safest way through our order. It must be that there are men as foremen who would rather truckle to the powers in the manager's office than help along the common interests of the electrical workers. Many of us find it hard to see such weak-spined beings reaping the full advantages attained by the organization to which they act as enemies. It must not be understood by this that all our Massachusetts foremen are non-union men. Many foremen are members, and I am proud to say that they are men who hold their positions on their merits. Every man, union or non-union, has respect for the man who pursues the course that is plainly right regardless of official frown or favor. One cannot be blamed for suspecting those foremen who will not join our brotherhood, while its advantages are so manifest to them, as having in their veins some drops of the blood of Judas, who would sell his birthright for a mess of pottage.

Our thanks are due to D. W. Driscoll, of the C. L. U., for the interest he takes in the welfare of our organization, and the very excellent manner in which he pointed out to us the advantages that would arise from a properly representative Labor Day parade. Of all our visiting delegates Mr. Driscoll is the most popular.

It is to be hoped that all the members of Local 104 will turn out on Labor Day. We want to make a proper impression on that day, and the only way to do so is by each one taking hold and helping along in a hearty, earnest manner. I believe our brothers are not ashamed of their organization. Whoever does not take a part in the parade must either be ashamed of it or very lukewarm as regards the interests for which we all work. Come, boys, let us show the people of Boston how strongly we are organized.

I regret to say that Bro. Alex. McLellan is sick. He is at present under treatment in the City Hospital.

Glad to see again working Bro. A. L. Crowley, who suffered some injuries recently in the service of the N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.

Faternally,

J. A. McDONALD;

Press Sec.

Local Union No. 106.

Jamestown, N. Y., Aug. 6, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Well, Old Rip Van Winkle has come to life, also No. 106, J. B. E. W. is still doing business at the old stand, that is Central Labor Hall. All the boys are working except the Bell Telephone Co. All of them are working, that is in the city, at present. The Bell was at a stand still here for some time and has not as yet recovered from the blow that almost killed father and affected the boys to some extent. The Bell has put in about two miles of underground cable.

It is reported here that there is another telephone company trying to run lines to Jamestown.

Well, 106 lost a valued member in the person of Mr. Frank M. Sears, who has gone to New York, where he has accepted a position in an electric light plant. His son, also a member of 106, has gone with his father. Mr. F. M. Sears holds a very responsible position. He carries the best wishes of 106. Good luck to him, so say we all.

Our F. S., E. Lunchburro, has took unto himself a helper. He was not satisfied with being in every state in the U. S., but had to get into the state of matrimony.

The boys are very much interested in our local, every one tries to do his best in helping unionism. You ought to see our hall on meeting nights. Their breath is so dense we have to keep two fans running. Well, brother, don't call me down too hard for this letter as it is my first offense. There is a short circuit in a trolley pole out in front of my house so I will say tata.

Yours truly, in the bonds of friendship,

W. B. LANCASTER,

Press Sec.

Local Union No. 108.

Tampa, Fla., Aug. 4, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

In honor to the duties of my office I will endeavor to tell the brothers how No. 108 is getting on. We met last night and received cards of Bros. D. C. Mims, J. W. Connor and J. W. McDaniels, all from No. 98, but they immediately had to take them out again as they are in the construction department of the So. Bell Tel. & Tel. Co. and the superintendent evidently knew they were not immunes from the yellow fever and ordered them to pack their trunks and pay no board bills and get out of town at once. Bro. Mims, C. P. Shalton, J. W. Connors, Jim Brown, Hungry Bill Henderson, W. Y. Mangrum and 40

Moore all left this morning at 9:30 for Atlanta; 40 Moore the famous broom-kisser from No. 85 was very much torn up on his sudden departure as he didn't have time to go by Ft. Bully and tell his Cuban sweetheart good bye. If some good brother that happens to be with 40 in his heartbroken moments will kindly console him by telling him he wasn't the only crap in the dice pan and to look on Chas. Cunion with heartfelt sympathy and a smile of condolence; he too, had a girl, but I don't feel like exposing her nationality, so I will let him guess. We are a little scared-up over the yellow fever down here now, but I don't think it will amount to anything. The Bell people have a big estimate under way and they have suspended all work and sent the gang to Atlanta. This hits No. 108 a small blow as they have several of our members; guess we will recover all O. K. Our worthy president, J. T. Vaughan, has just returned from a couple of weeks cruise down the bay enjoying the pleasant sea breeze. No. 108 has some members like Bro. Geo. Brow of No. 116 who were given some very urgent advice in his letter of the June issue. If the brothers will attend the meeting regular and take more interest in our work we are sure to win, greeting the time that has come in the history of our organization and the advantages we have arrived at, that the laboring man has never before had access to. I think they should see the opportunities more plainly and come out for their rights while the iron is the hottest. I can't see any reason why we shouldn't have the eight-hour-a-day scale universally established everywhere.

With best wishes to all the brothers I am, yours fraternally,

STORN,
Press Sec.

P. S. Kid Rountree, who was recently promoted to the position of exchange foreman, has taken unto himself a wife, on the 5th inst. All his friends and fellow brothers of distant cities will receive this as his official notice of no future dissipation. He has named his little son after his father.

Local Union No. 114.

Toronto, Can., Aug. 9, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

This is number one letter from our local. We have had our election of officers, who are all of a very high tension, as follows;

Pres.—H. J. Hurd.
Vice-Pres.—J. A. Pollock.
R. S.—K. A. McRae.
F. S.—T. B. Eaton.
Treas.—J. A. Moneyeau.
Press Sec.—W. B. Cox.
First Inspector—C. Ireland.
Second Inspector—J. Sculley.
Foreman—J. L. McBride.
Sentinel—Austin Parsons.
First Trustee—W. B. Cox.

Second Trustee—E. Latimer.

Third Trustee—R. Cooke.

Traveling brothers keep away from Toronto as things are very blue. One of our members got so disgusted with being offered from 15 cents to 17½ cents per hour here last week that he went down to Eimsteen's on York street and sold his kit. We would like to hear from him. Where is he? Since the organization of our union, one of the members wives presented him with a young electrician, so we are growing every day.

Our local is growing steadily, but slowly, some of our members have left their 'appy homes here and have gone to fresh pastures owing to the dullness of work this season.

Our first annual moonlight excursion comes off this Friday evening the 10th. We anticipate a very large and enjoyable time. We will tell you all about it in next month's journal, as it comes rather late for this one.

Yours fraternally,
W. B. Cox,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 118.

Dayton, O., July 13, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

We have been so busy in Dayton I had hardly time to write a few words about our local. We made very few changes in our officers at our semi-annual election, which are as follows:

Pres.—J. J. McCarty.
Vice-Pres.—P. A. Holt.
Rec. Sec.—E. S. Sullivan.
Fin. Sec.—D. P. Albright.
Press Sec.—J. W. Hott.
Treas.—C. O. Clark
Inspector—R. M. Patterson.
Foreman—Harvey Clark.
Trustees—J. W. Hott, E. S. Sullivan, F. Bruggeman.

I am glad to say that we are increasing in membership and are making arrangements to have a street display on Labor Day. We have changed our place and date of meeting to Room 34, third floor Davies' bldg., cor. Fourth and Main sts., every Monday night.

We have with us some of the members from No. 54 of Columbus, O., and they are a jolly lot of good fellows and are always ready to lend us a helping hand.

Will endeavor to write more next month.

Fraternally yours,
J. W. HOTT,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 121.

Denver, Col., Aug. 4.

Editor Electrical Worker:

There are always certain periods during the life of an organization when there appears to be better progress made and as a consequence the members of that organization are drawn more closely together in

bonds of sympathy and good will for one another. In only one way will a union prosper and maintain a good healthy condition and promote the cause for which it is intended, viz., every member should do his duty, no matter how insignificant it may appear to him. How many brothers there are who never attend the meetings except to pay their dues and then perhaps wouldn't go if they could find some one that would kindly attend to the matter for them.

At one of the meetings of No. 121, recently, a motion to fine members absent, ten cents for each offense, unless a plausible excuse could be given, or they were out of town, was carried by an almost unanimous vote. When one of the brothers who had made himself conspicuous by his absence from nearly every meeting heard of it and was told he had a fine hanging over his head, he made the remark: "If that is the way the union is going to be run, I'll drop out of it." He evidently had forgotten to take into consideration the fact but for the union, in Denver, and many other cities, they would at present be working for laborer's wages.

A man that can't afford to spend one night during the week looking out for his bread and butter, is surely not going to be of much benefit to his union and should certainly not expect to derive any benefit from them in time of need. A great many men join the union for the express purpose of obtaining a card to eat, sleep and travel on. A paid-up card is certainly a good thing for a brother to have with him when traveling and more especially while looking for work, but there are men who carry these things to extremes. For instance, a brother who was recently taken into No. 121 was heard to make the remark that the only reason he joined the union was because he thought he could hold his job better, and if he got "fired" he would have something to eat and travel on. Such men are no good and are a detriment to any union.

There is one other thing that may as well be mentioned while the writer is in the business of shooting balloon juice, that is: There are linemen who are always kicking about their foreman, no matter how good they may be they seem to be able to find some fault with them. Give that same kicker a similar position and nine times out of every ten he won't have a friend in the gang. He curses the linemen to the groundmen, curses the groundmen to the linemen and then turns around and curses the whole shooting match to the teamster.

No. 121 is in a very thriving condition at present and some very valuable members are being added every week. As fast as a non-union man comes into town, and is all right, he is taken into the union.

We expect to be very busy this month

making preparations to celebrate Labor Day in a fitting manner.

Bro. Smale has a union gang stringing a pair of copper wires from Colorado Springs to Cripple Creek. Bro. Lane starts for Leadville the 5th inst. to rebuild the town and string aerial cable. Bro. Lane is our treasurer and one of our most valuable members and as a consequence we hate to see him leave the city if only for a short time, but we are glad to state that the linemen in his gang are all union men.

Bro. Smith, one of the men thrown from the top of a train recently, was able to attend the meeting July 30. Bro. Baldwin, the other unfortunate, is rapidly improving and will soon be able to fight copper again.

The Lacombe Electric Company is pushing the work on its new plant here as fast as possible with quite a large force of digging and pole setting crews. It expects to do first-class work in every respect and we trust the plant will be a credit to our city.

To those looking for work who will come to Colorado, will say that the lineman with a paid-up card stands a very good show.

Pearl Webb, of the scab list, blew in here a short time ago and worked until the boys "got on" to him. They got to crowding him so hard that he went to the general foreman and asked if it made any difference to him if he was a scab; his answer was in the affirmative.

Our press secretary, Bro. Freeman, is out of the city, and Bro. Stahlsmith, vice-president, goes to Leadville with Bro. Lane.

Yours Fraternally,

C. A. A.

P. S. Pro Tem.

Local Union No. 122.

Gt. Falls, Mont., July 7, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Well, as I was put into the collar at our last meeting I suppose I might as well go against it now as any other time. So here it goes and we will see how it looks in print. You can talk about your biz, but look at this, 16 members in one month, four applications on the bench for our next meeting and nine more lingering on the outside. We had a very amusing incident at our last meeting. When we brought a brother in out of the darkness and asked him what he wanted, and he said light, the next instant we cut his suspenders and he went straight up and called on Jesus, but he was too late, he had the light. Two weeks ago one of our brothers in looking for light fell over a barrel and saw stars and then said he was glad he was on earth. I will now tell you who were the other lucky ones besides myself who had to jump into the collar. So far we work fine to-

gether without throwing the quirt to any of us:

Pres.—L. F. Woodworth.

Vice-Pres.—Tony Foller.

Fin. Sec.—S. C. Swartz.

Rec. and Press Sec.—M. Pottee.

Treas.—F. D. Ward.

Foreman—Edwin Gribble.

Inspector—Wm. F. Rodhe.

Trustee, six months—G. D. Hedge.

Did you notice they put me in for a double header? Well, it will have to go this time, but I will see that it don't happen again. I offered two bits for every vote cast for the other brother but he said thirty cents, so I lost again. I tried to work the Clark racket on them, but the other fellow tried the Daly racket and when they wanted to collect he said it was only a josh. Well, I told them it was too bad. They would know how to do it more systematically the next time.

Well, I don't know of much to say this time. Central just cut in and wanted to know if I was through and said it was a wonder I wouldn't break off some time, as there were others who wanted to ring up the Worker besides myself. I reminded her that the line was busy the first five times I called, so to tell them just to wait as I did. Zip! there she goes, cut me off as usual. So, ta ta, boys. I got a case of trouble, anyhow I didn't want to use it any more.

P. S.—Just one word to all. We have the finest little lodge in the west.

Fraternally yours,

M. POTEET,

Rec. and Press Sec.

Local Union No. 126.

Little Rock, Ark., Aug. 5, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

The P. S. of No. 126 claims he is short of material to do a good job this month, but will have to make a showing anyhow.

We have finally settled in permanent quarters in the Labor Temple and now meet in a handsomely furnished hall. The Trades Council and the various unions use this hall and we are rapidly becoming affiliated with the organized labor of the town.

The Trades Council has under way a grand scheme for a good time on Labor Day, including a trades parade, and No. 126 has been invited to participate and no doubt will be represented.

Work is rather dull at present except with the construction companies and the Edison Light Co. The Edison people lately changed their alternating system from 1000 volts to 2000 and have extensive line work (mostly repair) in sight, so that Bro. Wilson was obliged to put on four extra linemen for a while. What's that? Certainly they were members of No. 126.

A severe electrical storm recently caused the boys to get a hump on themselves and

caught the Edison Co. for an armature. The weather is very hot here at present and work is not very brisk, but will doubtless pick up in the fall. We have an important meeting coming next week and I hope to have some good news to report. No. 126 recently lost Bro. Mattox, an earnest worker in the union, whose departure is sincerely regretted; here goes to Texas for the Bell Co.

Yours fraternally,
C. J. D., P. S.

Local Union No. 130.

New Orleans, La., July 28, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

I have the honor to officially report to you the roster of officers elected at a meeting of the charter members held June 17th:

Pres.—T. G. Ziegler.

Vice-Pres.—L. V. Lindsey.

Fin. Sec.—G. W. Kendall, Jr.

Rec. Sec.—J. J. Cahill.

Inspector—P. C. Ryan.

Treas.—Geo. Ferris.

Foreman—C. J. Watzke.

Press Sec.—A. M. Monaghan.

Sergeant-at-Arms—T. J. Hawkins.

Fraternally yours,

J. J. CAHILL,
Rec. Sec.

Local Union No. 133.

Detroit, Aug. 7, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Once more the balmy days of another month have come and gone and with their going comes to mind memories of a duty to be performed. No. 133 is progressing nicely with about 150 members on the books. We are working in harmony with the contractors and we have yet to bring our first case before the adjustment board. I said we were working in harmony with the contractors, so we are, with the exception of the firms who owing to the work accomplished can scarcely be termed as such, namely the Clark Electric Co., composed of William C. Clark and the Electrical Appliance Co., composed of Thomas Clark. Up to the present time they have refused to sign our agreement and have tried to injure the union in every way possible, but by no means has their path been strewn with roses, as they are finding out, and methinks before many moons you will hear of them no more. There is one more of the family and then I am through with the Clarks, this one the scabbiest of all scabs is George Clark. Brothers if you ever meet him no matter when or where, give him not the hand of fellowship, but shun him as you would the vilest of reptiles. Listen and I will tell you. When we were working under our old agreement he was a member of 17, not because he wanted to be, but because he had to be, as his brothers were a party to that agreement, but as soon as our new agreement was entered into and his brothers refused to sign he immediately

discarded his union principles (if he ever had any) and lost the respect of every union man in the city by going to work for his brothers against the entreaties of those who were his friends. He now stands expelled from No. 17 with a fine of \$25 on his head. The most contemptible wretch of all God's creations is an angel compared to such as he.

Well, brothers, how about Labor Day? I suppose you are anticipating a great time. As for Detroit I can not give you the full details at this writing, but the main features of the parade will be automobiles and trained animals. The star feature of them all will be Bro. Tom McCarty as Mephisto in his horseless carriage, a la wagon drawn by his famous trained zebra.

Fraternally Yours,
F. W. RAYMOND,
Press Sec.

Local Union No. 138.

Ft. Wayne, Ind., Aug. 6, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

Ft. Wayne has at last come to the front and organized L. U. No. 138, I. B. E. W., with the following officers in the chairs:

Pres.—H. C. Eckels.
Vice-Pres.—F. C. Cherry.
Fin. Sec. and Treas.—C. O. Lathouse.
Rec. and Press Sec.—H. E. Wineland.
Inspector—Geo. Wagner.
Foreman—J. S. McCormick.

Bro. Harry Walters received a severe electric shock while at work on West Main street, near Calhoun, Friday, Aug. 3. Bro. Walters was standing on a ladder, removing a telephone wire from a pole, when the wire became crossed with an electric wire carrying a voltage of 510. In an instant Bro. Walters' left hand was frightfully seared through the palm to a considerable depth. The injury was dressed at a drug store and Bro. Walters pluckily kept on at work.

Bro. Geo. Wagner also came in contact with a live wire and was severely shocked. I did not get full particulars other than that he will pull through all O. K.

On the evening of July 27, L. U. No. 138 had six candidates, who were duly initiated and, after meeting was over, we had a social chat. Bro. Yarbough, of L. U. No. 10, Indianapolis, was with us and gave us a short talk on unionism.

The outlook in Ft. Wayne for this fall is favorable; everybody is working, but contractors are not hiring any new men. Bro. Yarbough, with his gang, is doing some work for the Central Union Telephone Co.

We expect to add three new lights to our circuit next meeting, Aug. 9, and what the boys will do to them will be a plenty.

Mr. Editor, please extend for us a hearty invitation to all brothers who may stop in Ft. Wayne in the future to call.

Yours fraternally,
H. E. WINELAND,
Press Sec.

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Local Union No. 139.

Shreveport, La., Aug. 9, 1900.

Editor Electrical Worker:

As this is our first attempt to write a letter to your most valuable paper, you must excuse us if we don't give all the news at present.

One of the C. T. and T. Co.'s men met with a painful accident last week. He went out unloading poles, when the standards gave way and crushed the man to the earth, dislocated his left hip and bruised him in many parts. Upon his arrival, Dr. Ashton Blanchard, the boys' favorite, put him in shape, and he is nearly ready to return to work.

Bro. S. R. Elliott visited Houston and claims to have never met a finer set of men, especially R. R. Tripp.

There is nothing of importance—some country work and a few small exchanges to be built, but nothing to be looked up to. Wages are not the best, but that is a matter to be looked after in the future. We are at the bottom of the ladder, but expect to wave 9 hours and \$2.50 per day yet, if nothing happens to us which we don't anticipate.

Local 139 has five bright and intelligent delegates to the Central Labor Council, and they have a keen eye on all that is going on.

Bros. J. E. Elliott and J. E. McGaldrick, of Local 4, are with us.

Well, I won't buzz any longer, as the local is too young to say much.

Respectfully,
A. B. FULLILOVE,
Press Sec.

From 5th Vice-President.

To the Officers and Members of the I. B. E. W.:

On July 30th, L. U. No. 141 was organized in the City of Pittsburg with a charter membership of 19, and several more who have expressed themselves as anxious to affiliate.

This local is composed of as good a lot of young men as it has ever been my pleasure of meeting with in any organization, and the officers are men chosen on account of their fitness to perform their duties.

I want to inform all Electrical Workers who chance this way that nothing short of a paid-up card will get him anything in Pittsburg, and he had better continue down the pike or hit the rough rattlers if he can't dig up a card to date, as no flim-flam excuses go here.

This city is situated in the heart of a vast coal-mining district and nothing but unionism goes here. All merchants display the union card in their show windows, which proves that it is necessary for the merchant to work in harmony with organized labor or be closed out by the sheriff.

In organizing this local, I was ably assisted by some of the old wheel horses of No. 66, of Texas, and No. 95, of Joplin. It is a pleasure to drop into a strange town, among strangers, and meet such brothers as Williams, Jackson, Baker and Wakefield, of No. 95, and Puckett and Graves of No. 96.

I desire to thank the above-mentioned brothers for their kindly assistance, also

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the officers and members of No. 141 for the manner in which they treated me and the many courtesies extended me during my stay in your city.

Now, brothers of Pittsburg, I will introduce Wichita and let us now get Topeka in line and I think Kansas will soon be a very good state for the man with a paid-up card.

Fraternally Yours,

F. J. ROTH,

Fifth Vice-Pres.

In Memoriam.

Niagara Falls, N. Y., Aug. 1, 1900.

The following resolutions were adopted by Local Union No. 58, I. B. E. W., on the death of our worthy Bro. Charles Fleck:

Whereas, It has pleased Almighty God, in His infinite wisdom, through his earthly messenger, inexorable death, to visit us and remove from our midst our esteemed Bro. Charles Fleck, and

Whereas, In life he was possessed of a character beyond reproach, worthy of every confidence and justice was by him accorded all men; therefore be it

Resolved, That we as an organization in brotherly love pay tribute to his memory by expressing our sorrow at his loss and bow in submission to the will of an All-Wise God, and be it further

Resolved, That we drape our charter for thirty days as a token of respect for our esteemed brother, and be it further

Resolved, That we spread a copy of these resolutions on the minute book of Local Union No. 58 and that a copy be forwarded to our official journal for publication.

GEO. HARRINGTON,
 ROY ROBINSON,
 Committee.

Resolutions adopted by L. U. No. 22, I. B. E. W.:

Whereas, It has pleased Almighty God, in his infinite wisdom, through his earthly messenger, inexorable death, to visit us, and, under extremely sad circumstances, remove from our midst our esteemed brother, J. A. Craum, and

Whereas, Intimate relations held during a long electrical and social career by our deceased brother with members of this Union, makes it our solemn duty to express our esteem for his manly worth, and our deep sorrow at the loss, and of the still heavier loss sustained by those nearest and dearest to him: therefore be it

Resolved, That the solemn removal of such a brother from our midst leaves a vacancy and shadow that will be felt by all members of the Union and his friends; that with deep sympathy with the afflicted relatives of our deceased brother, we express a hope that even so great a bereavement may be overruled for their highest good, and be it

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the minutes, our charter be draped for thirty days as a testimonial of the respect and esteem in which our late lamented brother was held by his fellow members, that an engrossed copy be pre-

sented to the bereaved family of our deceased brother, and copies be forwarded to our official journal and daily papers for publication.

PETER JACOBS,
 GEO. E. RUSSELL,
 M. J. CURRAN.

Jersey City, N. J., July, 1900.

Resolutions adopted by committee of Local Union No. 15, of Hudson Co., on the death of our honorary brother Al Glover:

Whereas, It has pleased Almighty God in His infinite wisdom, through His earthly messenger, inexorable death, to visit us and remove from our midst our esteemed brother Al Glover, and

Whereas, In life he was possessed of a character beyond reproach, worthy of every confidence, and justice was by him accorded all men; therefore be it

Resolved, That we as an organization in brotherly love pay tribute to his memory by expressing our sorrow at his loss, and bow in humble submission to the will of an All-Wise God; and be it further

Resolved, That we drape our charter for thirty days as a token of respect for our esteemed brother; and be it further

Resolved, That with deep sympathy with the afflicted relatives and friends of the deceased we express an earnest hope that even so great a bereavement may be overruled for their highest good; and be it further

Resolved, That we spread a copy of these resolutions on the minute book of Local Union No. 15, and forward a copy to the relatives.

E. ARRINGTON,
 WM. MIERS.

Directory of Unions.

Secretaries will please furnish the necessary information to make this directory complete. Note that the time and place of meeting, the name of the President, the names and addresses of the Recording and Financial Secretaries are required.

Locals are composed of branches of the trade as per the following signs:

*Mixed. †Linemen. ‡Insidemen. §Trimmers.
¶Cranemen. †Cable Splicers.

[No. 1, St. Louis, Mo.—Meets every Monday at 504 Market st. Pres., George Buck, Century Bldg.; R. S., Eugene Phillips, 3942 Forest Park Boulevard; F. S., Harry Ellison, 5097A Minerva ave.

[No. 2, Kansas City, Mo.—Meets every Wednesday in Labor Temple, 9th and Central sts. Pres., A. C. Epperson, 6th and Wyandotte, Tel. Bldg.; R. S., C. L. Lord, 707 Campbell st., K. C., Mo.; F. S., L. S. Gordon, 1018 9th st.

[No. 3, St. Louis, Mo.—Meets every Thursday in Lightstone's Hall, 11th Franklin ave. Pres., T. A. Wernke, 4452 Garfield ave.; R. S., John T. Rindel, 2307 Victor st.; F. S. and Bus. Agt., 1710 S. 12th st.

[No. 3, New York, Inside Wiremen.—Every Thursday in Brevort Hall, 54th st. and 3d av. Pres., Geo. O. Jenney, 1044 Tiffany av., N.Y.; F. S., John J. Quinn, 294 1st av., N. Y.; F. S., Thos. E. Ruane, 82 2d av.

*No. 4, New Orleans, La.—Meets every Wednesday evening at Carondelet and Perdido sts. Pres., W. E. Hering, 2604 Palmyra st.; R. S., Harry Smith, 936 Taloux av.; F. S., Wm. Jackson, 1628 Lafayette st.

[No. 5, Pittsburgh, Pa.—Meets every Friday night in Electrical Workers' Hall, 320 4th av. Pres., W. A. Pulliam, 215 E. Ohio st., Allegheny; R. S., F. H. Willsden, 35 E. Robinson st., Allegheny; F. S., Chas. Camp, 65 Irwin ave., Allegheny.

*No. 6, San Francisco, Cal.—Meets every Wednesday evening in Friendship Hall, 120 O'Farrell st. Pres., George F. Keetley, 409 Market st.; R. S., A. E. Yoell, 651 Stevenson st.; F. S., R. P. Gale, 128 Fern ave.

*No. 7, Springfield, Mass.—Meets every Wednesday at room 14 Barnes Bk. Pres., C. F. Samson, 727 Main st.; R. S., W. P. Kavanaugh, P. O. Box 54, Merrick, Mass.; F. S., D. B. Ahgreen, 276 Hancock st.

*No. 8, Toledo, O.—Meets every Monday at Friendship Hall, cor. Jefferson and Summit sts. Pres., F. L. Lucas, 2244 Union st.; R. S., L. J. Paratsek, 224 Park st.; F. S., H. J. Baker, 320 13th st.

[No. 9, Chicago, Ill.—Meets every Saturday at 83 Madison st., Hall 6. Pres., W. A. Jackson, Eng. Co.'s 16 31st and Dearborn sts.; R. S., Jas. L. Collins, 1151 West Madison st.; F. S., Joseph Driscoll, 77 Fuller st.

*No. 10, Indianapolis, Ind.—Meets every Monday at Indian Union Hall, 136 N. Pennsylvania st. Pres., A. C. Phipps, 503 N. Jersey st.; R. S., W. O. Dudley, 814 Highland av.; F. S., Guy McCollach, 421 N. Capitol ave.

*No. 11, Waterville, Ct.—Pres. W. A. Chase, 809 Main st.; F. S., W. K. Eldridge, 208 S. Elm st.

*No. 12, Pueblo, Colo.—Meets every Monday in City Hall, North Main st. Pres., Tom Sullivan, 818 West 13th st.; R. S., J. W. White, 414 West 17th st.; F. S., E. O. Ringer, 20 Block Q.

*No. 13, El Paso, Tex.—Every Wednesday in Mills bldg, St. Louis and San Francisco sts. Pres., E. P. McBroom, Telephone office; R. S., Ed. Cory, Postal Tel. office; W. B. Carroll, Overland and Santa Fe sts.

[No. 14, Pittsburgh, Pa.—Meets every Sunday in Moorehead Hall, 2nd ave. and Grant st. Pres., H. T. Sullivan, Hamilton Hotel, Pittsburgh; R. S., J. F. St. Clair, Hamilton Hotel, Pittsburgh; F. S., A. R. Craig, 209 Corey st., Allegheny.

[No. 15, Jersey City, N. J.—1st and 3d Mondays in Humboldt hall, 185 Newark av. Pres., W. A. Gross, 491 Palisade av., W. Hoboken, N. J.; R. S., C. E. Bessel, 228 1/2 3rd st., Jersey City; F. S., Geo. H. Roehrs, 709 Willow av., Hoboken, N. J.

*No. 16, Evansville, Ind.—Meets every other Wednesday over Germania Hall, Up. Eighth st. Pres., E. T. Mitchell, 618 Up. 8th st.; R. S., C. G. Kern, 16 L. 5th st.; F. S., L. Riggs, 1913 East Franklin st.

*No. 17, Detroit, Mich.—Meets every Monday night at 9 Cadillac square. Pres., W. J. Malone, 142 National ave.; R. S., G. H. Brown, 50 Chester av.; F. S., E. Hawes, 758 Champaign st.

[No. 18, Kansas City, Mo.—Meets every Thursday evening at K. P. hall, 1009-11 Walnut st. Pres., I. F. Manderline, 425 W. 14th st., K. C., Mo.; R. S., Junior Parrish, 116 Cherry st., K. C., Mo.; F. S., Chas. McCallum, 611 So. 11th st., K. C., Kas.

*No. 19, Atchison, Kan.—Meets every Tuesday at Electrical Workers Hall, 710 Main st. Pres., F. J. Roth, Atchison, Kan.; R. S., Hugo Walters, Atchison, Kan.; F. S., J. C. Sweeney, Atchison, Kan.

*No. 20, New York City.—Meets every Tuesday night in Military Hall, 103 Bowery. Pres., C. A. Elmore, 1312 Garden st., Hoboken, N. J.; R. S., C. O. Gerhart, 149 Lawrence st., Brooklyn, N. Y.; F. S., H. E. Hallam, 368 14th st., Hoboken, N. J.

[No. 21, Philadelphia, Pa.—Meets every Friday in Hancock Hall, 814 Girard ave. Pres., Wm. McFadden, 336 Melon st.; R. S., James Birmingham, 3235 Fairhill st.; F. S., Wm. Godshall, 2549 Hutchinson st.

*No. 22, Omaha, Neb.—Meets every Wednesday at Labor Temple, 17th & Douglas sts. Pres., W. J. Wales, care Wolff-Lovett Con. Co.; R. S., Geo. E. Russell, 2544 Reese st.; M. J. Curran, 1814 St. Marys av.

*No. 23, St. Paul, Minn.—1st and 3d Mondays, Assembly hall, 3d and Wabasha. Pres., P. J. Marnard, 141 12th st.; R. S., S. W. Manning, 466 Farrington av.; F. S., W. R. Tubbesing, 447 Martin st.

*No. 24, Minneapolis, Minn.—Meets 2d and 4th Tuesdays at Alexander's Hall, 38 So. 6th st. Pres., John J. Keynolds, 1815 So. 4th ave.; R. S., Chas. Coe, 24 So. 11th st.; F. S., F. E. Lester, 183 So. 9th st.

*No. 25, Terre Haute, Ind.—Meets 1st and 3d Thursdays at C. L. U. Hall. Pres., Harry Beledors, Terre Haute; R. S., Fred Miller, 1368 Poplar st.; F. S., Lee Dickerson, 1601 College ave.

[No. 26, Washington, D. C.—Meets every Wednesday at Costello hall, 610 G st. N.W. Pres., Edgar A. Nelson, 816 21st st., N. W.; R. S., S. C. Buckingham, 518 9th st., N. W.; F. S., George A. Malone, 48 L. st., N. W.

*No. 27, Baltimore, Md.—Meets every Monday at Border State Bank Bldg., Park av. and Fayette st. Pres., W. W. Welsh, 1420 Asquith st.; R. S., W. C. Worley, 1720 Harlem av.; F. S., W. W. Davis, 529 N. Mount st.

*No. 28, Ft. Worth, Texas.—1st and 3d Wednesdays in Powell bldg., between 2d and 13th sts. Pres., Lee Stevens, 400 Lamar st.; R. S., W. W. Wade, care Telephone Co.; F. S., C. F. Crabtree, City Hall.

*No. 29, Trenton, N. J.—Meets every Tuesday evening at Ribson Bldg., cor. Front and Broad sts., 4th floor, take elevator. Pres., P. J. Dunn, 50 Perrine ave.; R. S., George Proffitt, 1454 S. Clinton ave.; F. S., Wm. Brister, 29 Bank st.

*No. 30, Cincinnati, O.—Meets every Wednesday in Jackson Hall, S. E. cor. 12th and Jackson sts. Pres., Joseph Dailey, 87 Plum st., Cin.; O. R. S., Wm. Price, 337 Hodge st., Newport, Ky.; F. S., Geo. R. Hilderbrand, Cold Spring, Ky.

*No. 31, Duluth, Minn.—Meets 1st and 3d Thursdays at Kalamazoo Bldg., 18 West Sup. st. Pres., Ed. Jennings, 708 1/2 E. 2nd st.; R. S., E. A. Nelson, 5 E. Superior st.; F. S., M. A. Hibbard, 1020 E. 4th st.

*No. 32, Lima, O.—Meets 1st and 3d Fridays in Donze Hall, South Main st. Pres., F. N. Reynolds, 323 No. Elizabeth st.; R. S., W. C. Holmes, 110 Harrison ave.; F. S., E. Krause, 213 East Wayne st.

*No. 33, New Castle, Pa.—Meets every other Monday night in the Clendinning Block.—Pres., George Stephenson, E. North st.; R. S., James B. Dygert, 178 Barbour st., Croton, Pa.; F. S., John M. Caskey, 19 S. Pine st.

*No. 34, Peoria, Ill.—Meets 2d and 4th Mondays in Meier's Hall, 1313 South Adams st. Pres., N. Deworth, 916 Smith st.; R. S., C. S. Kittering, 415 1/2 First st.; F. S., C. Brandt, 328 Howard st.

*No. 35, Rome, N. Y.—1st and 3d Wednesdays in Hibernian hall, Dominick st. Pres., Bert Dorsey, care Herkimer Tel. Co., Herkimer, N. Y.; R. S., E. L. McMillan, Rome, N. Y.; F. S., M. Huntsberger, care Temperance Hotel, Rome, N. Y.

*No. 36, Sacramento, Cal.—2d and 4th Tuesdays in Federated Trades Hall, 1013 10th st. Pres., J. J. Scott, 626 1/2 J st.; R. S., C. W. Beaton, 716 P st.; F. S., D. D. Dickie, 205 J st.

*No. 37, Hartford, Conn.—Meets every Wednesday at 603 Main st. Pres., Maurice P. Sullivan, 177 Asylum st.; R. S., F. J. Sheehan, 86 North st., New Britain, Conn.; F. S., J. J. Tracy, 58 Temple st.

[No. 38, Cleveland, O.—Meets every Tuesday in Engineers' Hall, 120 Superior, between Water and Bank sts. Pres., F. C. Hegner, 14 Mason st.; R. S., W. F. Brooks, 121 Second ave.; F. S., Wm. Dixon, 118 Olive st.

[No. 39, Cleveland, O.—Pres., Hugh Murrin, 288 Waverley ave.; R. S., Frank J. Sullivan, 24 Chatham st.; F. S., A. W. McIntyre, 328 Waverley ave.

*No. 40, St. Joseph, Mo.—Meets every Thursday night in Building Trades Council Hall, cor. 5th and Francis sts. Pres., Jas. W. Gates, 907 N. 6th st.; R. S., Wm. Dorsel, 1710 Calhoun st.; F. S., W. H. W. H. Tucker, 1025 Scott st.

[No. 41, Buffalo, N. Y.—Meets every Wednesday at Council Hall, Huron and Ellicott sts. Pres., Jno. O'Connell, 614 Farago ave.; R. S., L. Whipperman, 836 Jefferson st.; F. S., H. M. Scott, 646 Virginia st.

*No. 42, Utica, N. Y.—2d and 4th Tuesdays in Labor temple, 18 Hotel st. Pres., Frank P. Danahan, 654 Bleeker st.; R. S., G. O. Carter, 26 Elm st.; Frank Brigham, 115 Duane av.

[No. 43, Syracuse, N. Y.—Inside Wiremen—Meet in Myers Hall cor. Montgomery and East Genesee sts., second and fourth Fridays. Pres., John Kerwin, 311 Oswego st.; R. S., E. W. Lewis, 1320 S. State st.; F. S., Geo. A. Davenport, 353 Ontario st.

[No. 44, Rochester, N. Y.—Every Tuesday in Durand bldg., W. Main st., room 16. Pres., John Haley, Home Telephone Co.; R. S., M. Warner, 18 Ford st.; F. S.

[No. 45, Buffalo, N. Y.—2d and 4th Saturdays in Orient hall, 13 1/2 Swan st. Pres., L. Beecher, 71 Seneca st.; R. S., C. H. Groat, 208 S. Division st.; F. S., Wm. Chatman, 1182 Niagara st.

*No. 46, Lowell, Mass.—Meets every Thursday evening in Engineers' Hall, Wyman's Ex. Bldg., Central and Merrimack sts. Pres., H. F. Harding, 35 E. Pine st.; R. S., John H. O'Connor, 121 Pleasant st.; F. S., Lester G. Hall, box 292.

*No. 47, Sioux City, Ia.—Pres. J. J. Sullivan, 1701 Center st.; R. S., C. H. Lingren, 814 West 4th st.; F. S., W. P. Truax, Union Elec. Co.

*No. 48, Richmond, Va.—Meets 1st and 3d Saturdays in Thon's Hall, 17th and Main sts. Pres., Douglas Eaton, 804 N. 26th st.; R. S., F. A. Fry, 68 1/2 China st.; F. S., A. L. Puckett, 113 E. 8th st., Manchester, Va.

[No. 49, Chicago, Ill.—Meets every Second and Fourth Thursday at 83 E. Madison st., Hall 6. Pres., J. W. Callihan, 1310 Wabash ave.; R. S., F. H. Prince, 444 W. Lake st.; F. S., James Byrnes, 4666 Lake ave.

*No. 50, Belleville, Ill.—Pres. Jno. Crisman, R. S., Geo. Brosins, F. S., H. Christian, 103 E. Main st.

[No. 51, Pittsburgh, Pa.—1st Sunday and 2d, 3d and 4th Thursday at Electrical Workers' hall, 320 4th av. Pres., A. W. Thompson, 22 Brighton pl., Allegheny; R. S., G. E. Moore, 1412 Irwin ave., Allegheny; F. S., P. F. Corcoran, P. O. Box 545, McKee's Rocks.

[No. 52, Newark, N. J.—Meet first and third Fridays at Marcus L. Ward Hall, 82-84 Belleville ave. Pres., F. J. McNulty, 179 North 2nd st., Newark, N. J.; R. S., O. J. Snyder, 325 West st., W. Hoboken, N. J.; F. S., A. R. Thomas, 43 Portland place.

*No. 53, Harrisburg, Pa.—Meets every Tuesday evening in hall on Myrtle ave., in rear of 257 N. St. Pres., C. A. Swager, 627 Forster st.; R. S., Jas. P. Eninger, 15 N. 15th st.; F. S., Carl A. E. Anderson, 40 Summit st.

*No. 54, Columbus, O.—Meets every Wednesday evening at Hellermaus Hall, 180 1/2 E. Town st. Pres., W. R. Kneeland, 7 1/2 N. High st.; R. S., J. A. Frames, 2390 Apple st.; F. S., Wm. Creviston, 265 E. Main st.

*No. 55, Des Moines, Ia.—Meets every Thursday night at Trades Assembly Hall. Pres., Jas. Martin, 1022 4th st.; R. S., James Fitzgerald, 1924 Lynes st.; F. S., Thomas Fitzpatrick, 775 10th st.

*No. 56, Erie, Pa.—Meets 1st, 3d and 5th Tuesdays in Woodman's Hall, 9th and State sts. Pres., Ed. O'Day, R. S., J. L. Hampel, 555 W. 3d st.; F. S., F. Morey, 314 W. 12th st.

*No. 57, Salt Lake City, Utah.—Meets 2d and 4th Tuesdays at Federation Hall, Second, South. Pres., W. W. Moore, 644 W. 2 North; R. S., H. B. Warner, U. L. & P. Co.; F. S., James Hodgson, 823 E. 6 South.

*No. 58, Niagara, Falls, N. Y.—Meets 2d and fourth Monday in Odd Fellows Hall. Pres., H. Anderson, R. S., Charles Mingay, 303 Ninth st.; F. S., C. Gent, 9 Arcade.

[No. 59, Chicago, Ill.—Meets every other Saturday at Koch's hall, 104 Randolph st. Pres., J. H. Maloney, 222 Albany av.; R. S., Thos. P. Cummings, 492 Rice st.; F. S., F. E. Farnham, 35 H 29th st.

*No. 60, San Antonio, Tex.—Meets 1st and 4th Saturdays at the old Court House, Soledad street. Pres., Martin Wright, Schuirth & Co.; R. S., Wm. Keller, Dubinski Electric Co.; F. S., Matt E. McElroy, 916 Buena Vista st.

*No. 61, Los Angeles, Cal.—Meets every Thursday in United Council of Labor Hall, 112 1/2 W. 3d st. Pres., Chas. Bailey, 935 Stanford ave.; R. S., M. B. Davidon, 627 Crocker st.; F. S., Jas. M. Buswell, 956 Maple ave.

*No. 62, Youngstown, O.—Pres., G. F. Hartman, 609 Covington st.; R. S., George L. Eagleton, 117 Mill st.; F. S., W. H. Buzard, 514 Duquesne st.

*No. 63, Warren, Pa.—Meets 1st and 3d Wednesdays at E. O. H. Hall, cor. 2d and Liberty sts. Pres., Chas. Wright, Buchanan st.; R. S., C. S. Burkett, 413 E. Water st.; F. S., N. H. Spencer, Rogers Bk.

*No. 64, Oakland, Cal.—2d and 4th Fridays in California hall, Clay st. Pres., A. E. Ross, 1010 1/2 Washington st.; F. S., H. P. Renton, 867 19th st.; F. S., Chas. L. Bell, 44 San Pablo av.

*No. 65, Butte, Mont.—Meets 2d and 4th Tuesdays in Engineers' hall, Owsley bldg. Pres., Jas. E. Davidson, Room 64, Owsley Bldg.; R. S., & F. S., W. C. Medhurst, P. O. Box 846.

*No. 66, Houston, Tex.—Meets 1st and 3d Mondays in Union Labor Hall, Preston and Caroline sts. Pres., Geo. Sehorn, 513 Houston av.; R. S., C. E. Boston, 1018 McKee st.; F. S., R. R. Tripp, 2909 Fannin st.

*No. 67, Quincy, Ill.—Meets 2d and 4th Thursdays at Trades Assembly hall, 111½ S 5th st. Pres. Bert Simmonds, 722 York st.; R. S., J. H. Nessler, 57 N. 10th st.; F. S., C. H. McNemee, 511 S 7th st.

*No. 68, Denver, Col.—Every Tuesday in room 643 Charles blk, 15th and Curtis. Pres. F. F. Miller, 414 So. 10th st.; R. S., W. S. Earhart, 1045 W. 7th ave.; F. S., C. B. Thorne, 2441 Lafayette st.

*No. 69, Dallas, Tex.—Meets every Wednesday night at Labor Temple, Main and Akard sts. Pres. Frank Swor, 156 Camp st.; R. S., Joe Wilkerson, 124 Bryant st.; F. S., H. E. Cooper, 124 Bryant st.

*No. 70, Cripple Creek, Col.—Meets every Wednesday night in Banquet Hall, Masonic Temple. Pres., J. E. Hicks, 332 May ave.; R. S., J. C. Hart, 131 W. Womack; F. S., J. A. Reed, P. O. 684.

*No. 71, Quebec, Prov. of Que.—Meets every Friday night in Montcalm Market Hall, John st. Pres., George Peat, 33 Clair Fontaine st.; R. S., J. W. Barrette, 146 St. Patrick st.; F. S., Thomas Malloy, 42 Conroy st.

*No. 72, Waco, Tex.—Meets second and fourth Wednesday nights at Labor Hall, 8th and Franklin sts. Pres., C. C. Dickson, 514 S. 4th st.; R. S., A. S. Rutledge, 202 S. 3d st.; F. S., Joseph Hodges, 1602 North 5th street.

*No. 73, Spokane, Wash.—2d and 4th Fridays in Eddy hall, N. Monroe st. Pres., E. C. Hensley, 218 Riverside st.; R. S., Geo. Denman, 418 S. Washington st.; F. S., W. A. Davis, 0715 Jefferson st.

*No. 74, Winona, Minn.—Pres., Sam Altmore, 463 Dakota st.; R. S., J. P. Fromm, 510 Olmstead st.; F. S., H. B. Kline, 510 Olmstead st.

*No. 75, Grand Rapids, Mich.—1st & 3d Wednesdays in C. L. U. hall, 34 Canal st. Pres. F. A. Gunnell, 6 Tunes av.; R. S., Jos. Newman, Jr., 16 Kennedy st.; F. S., C. E. Post, 487 S. Ionia st.

*No. 76, Tacoma, Wash.—1st and 2d Tuesdays in Foresters' hall, 11th st. and Pacific av. Pres. James Murray, 1134 S. D. st.; R. S., E. P. Conklin, 3722 S. L. st.; F. S., F. A. Todd, 3713 S. L. st.

*No. 77, Seattle, Wash.—Meets every 1st and 3d Saturday in A. O. U. W. Hall, 1st ave. and James st. Pres., Chas. E. Betton, 2415 Western ave.; R. S., Geo. R. Cooley, 418 Lenora st.; F. S., G. G. Jenkins, 1215 1st ave.

*No. 78, Chicago, Ill.—2d and 4th Friday in Fitzgerald's hall, cor. Halsted and Adams sts. Pres. G. W. LeVin, 1551 Carroll av.; R. S., Wm. T. Towner, 1479 W. Ohio st.; F. S., George H. Foltz, 351 W. Adams st.

*No. 79, Syracuse, N. Y.—Pres., Daniel Cambridge, 110 Madison st.; R. S., Edw. Gyiatt, 1 Crouse Bldg.; F. S., Chas. Brand, 410 Shawward st.

*No. 80, Norfolk, Va.—Every Friday in Central Labor Union hall, City Hall av. and Bank st. Pres. L. G. Fowler, 116 Willoughby av.; R. S., W. M. Burk, So. Bell Tel. Co., Portsmouth; F. S., B. F. Haines, So. Bell Tel. Co., Portsmouth.

*No. 81, Scranton, Pa.—Meets every Monday in Casse's hall, Lackawanna av. Pres. J. D. Smith, 1106 S. Washington av.; R. S., T. B. Sturdevant; F. S., E. B. Archibald, 702 Prescott ave.

*No. 82, Binghamton, N. Y.—Meets 1st and 3d Fridays in C. L. U. hall, State st. Pres. G. Milks, 24 Derussey st.; R. S., L. W. Thompson, St. John ave.; F. S., P. W. Kromer, 104 Prospect st.

*No. 83, Milwaukee, Wis.—Every Wednesday, cor. 3d and Prairie sts. Pres. C. F. Smith, 756 S. Pierce st.; R. S., Otto Nichols, 172 Huron st.; F. S., B. Emerton, 517 Broadway.

*No. 84, Atlanta, Ga.—Meets every Thursday 7:30 p. m. in Fed of Trades hall, 14½ N. Forsyth st. Pres. A. L. Skatts, Jonesboro, Ga.; R. S., J. E. Casey, 291 W. 4th st.; F. S., B. L. Martin, 322 W. 5th st.

*No. 85, Augusta, Ga.—Meets Sunday afternoon at Kidwell's Hall, 15th st. and May av. Pres. B. Mitchell, 1420 Marbury st.; R. S., H. E. Lingel, 1026½ Broad st.; F. S., T. H. Tyce, 929 Kollock st.

*No. 86, Rochester, N. Y.—Meets every Tuesday in room 24, Durand bldg., 58 W. Main st. Pres. J. P. Forristal, 14 Jones st.; R. S., F. W. Graham, 25 Lawn st.; F. S., A. L. Dennison, 14 Baldwin st.

*No. 87, Newark, N. J.—Every Friday at 37 Market st. Pres., M. J. Breslin, 58 Center st., Orange, N. J.; R. S., John J. Marquardt, 377 Bloomfield av., Montclair, N. J.; F. S., Wm. Mungy, Ashland ave., W. Orange, P. O. Box 93.

*No. 88, Savannah, Ga.—Every Thursday in Labor hall, cor. Abecorn and Bryan sts. Pres. J. D. Butler, 308 Duffy st. west; R. S., J. W. Evans, So. Bell Tel. & Tel. Co.; F. S., E. J. McDonald, 109 McDonough st. east.

*No. 89, Akron, O.—Meets in Carpenters' Hall, S. Howard st. Pres., J. A. Townsend, 531 W. Exchange st.; R. S., M. W. Jennings, 310 N. Maple st.; F. S., C. E. Miller, 307 E. Mill st.

*No. 90, New Haven, Ct.—Meets every Saturday in Forester's Hall, 78½ Chapel st. Pres., S. Johnson, 63 Derby av.; R. S., C. M. Preston, 77 Maltby st.; F. S., F. Tanner, 156 Congress ave.

*No. 91, Easton, Pa.—1st and 3d Sunday afternoons in Jr. O. U. A. M. hall, cor. 7th and Northampton sts. Pres., Milton Moser, 59 North Sitgreaves st.; R. S., Geo. Van Billiard, 811 Spruce st.; F. S., Edwin Welch, 123 South 4th st.

*No. 92, Charleston, S. C.—2d and 4th Friday in Irish Volunteers' hall, Vanderhous st. near King. Pres., J. O. Misson, 12 Horibacks alley; R. S., J. J. Buerro, 17 Inspection st.; F. S., R. B. Bell, 57 Smith st.

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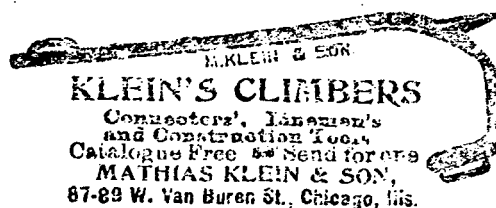
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